

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, 1932, at 12 noon. Present:

The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P.) in the chair.

Aldermen Margrett, Moore, Pates, Sawyer and Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P. Councillors Lt.-Col. C. W. Biggs, O.B.E., The Rev. E. S. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. W. Curling Hayward, M. B.E., M.B., B.S., Leigh James, D. L. Lipson, M.A., S. C. Morris, A. S. F. Pruen, Selim J. Smith, H. W. Thomas, T. Wilfred Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, W. N. Weech, M.A. and H. T. Yarnold.

Apologies-Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Scott Langley and P. T. Smith.

1—Election of Councillors—The Town Clerk reported the election on the 1st instant of the following Councillors:— The Rev. Edmond Stanley de Courcy-Ireland for the North Ward, Mr. Thomas Wilfred Waite for the Central Ward, Mr. Harold Miller for the East Ward, Mr. Hugh William Thomas for the Middle Ward, Mr. Edward Lawrence Ward for the West Ward, Mr. Daniel Leopold Lipson for the South 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 Captain John Henry Trye, C.B.E., R.N., be and he is hereby 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 in the Chair.

3—Retiring Mayor—Resolved, That the heartiest thanks of the Council be given to Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P., for the hospitable, assiduous and impartial manner in which he has carried out the duties of Mayor during the past two years.

4—Appointment of Deputy Mayor—The Mayor signified in writing that he had appointed Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P., to be his Deputy, and it was Resolved, That the appointment be recorded on the Minutes of the Council.

5—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.
Pates	Central Ward.
Taylor	East Ward.
Clara Frances Winterbotham	South Ward.
Sawyer	Middle Ward
Moore	West Ward.

6—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 31st October, 1932, 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, except that the Amendment to the Minutes of the Housing Committee of their meeting held on the 13th October, 1932, be altered to read as follows: "That the Housing Committee be authorised to purchase the whole of the L.M.S. Railway Company's land at Alstone."

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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 :— Aldermen Clara Winterbotham, Margrett and Moore ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Morris, Pruen, Waite, E. L. Ward 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 Births (Extension) Act 1915, Infectious Diseases (Prevention) Act, 1890, The Housing Acts, 1890 to 1930, 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, 37, 38, 40, 41, 46, 47, 49, and 50, the sections relating to nuisances and unsound meat, also sections 62, 70, 120, 121, 123, 124, 126, 127, 128 and 129, and Sections 17, 18, 19 and 20 of the Housing Act, 1930.

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.

Housing Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Housing Committee for the ensuing year :—The Deputy Mayor. Aldermen Clara Winterbotham and Pates ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Lipson, Morris, P. T. Smith. Selim Smith, J. F. Ward 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, and plans for outbuildings (other than Garages) on the several Corporation Housing Estates.

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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—Aldermen Clara Winterbotham and Margrett ; Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr.

Hayward, Leigh James, Langley, Lipson, Miller, J. F. Ward, Weech and Yarnold ; Dr. G. A. Cardew, Mrs. E. Booy, Mrs. Lewis Grist, Mrs. E. C. Gurney, Mrs. W. L. Mellersh and Miss Ratcliffe.

Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Street and Highway Committee for the ensuing year :—The Mayor ; Aldermen Clara Winterbotham, Pates and Sawyer ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Langley, Lipson, Thomas 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, and to consider all proposed public street improvements, and the making of any Byelaws in respect of new Streets and buildings.

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.

Town Planning Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Town Planning Committee for the ensuing year :—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Clara Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Dr. Hayward, Scott Langley, Morris, E. L. Ward and Yarnold, and that their powers and duties be as follows :—

To examine and report upon all plans for new Streets and buildings, including the enforcement of the Byelaws made by the Council with regard thereto.

To deal with the Town Planning Scheme under the Housing and Town Planning Acts, 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 Roads Improvement Act, 1925, and the Cheltenham Order of 1896, and to consider and deal with all plans of new streets and buildings submitted except plans of outbuildings (other than Garages) on the several Corporation Housing Estates.

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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 Margrett, Pates and Sawyer ; Councillors Lipson, Miller, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Selim Smith, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward and Weech, 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 Spa Baths (including the Medical Baths thereat), and to enforce the provisions of the Byelaws 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 Pump Room.

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 :—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore ; Councillors Leigh James, Langley, Waite, E. L. Ward and J. F. Ward 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.

Water Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Water Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Margrett, Moore, Pates and Sawyer ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Langley, Morris and Selim Smith, 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.

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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 licensing¹ of Hackney Carriages and Drivers, 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, To consider and report on applications for extensions of service under Superannuation Scheme.

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 Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, P. T. Smith, Salim Smith, Waite, J. F. Ward 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 Byelaws 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.

Allotments Committee—Resolved, That the following do form the Allotments Committee for the ensuing year :—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, P. T. Smith, Selim Smith, Waite, J. F. Ward and Yarnold, Messrs. F. W. Clarkson, F. Vizard, C. H. Tandy and E. 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.

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Rating Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Rating Committee for the ensuing year :—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Langley, Thomas, Waite, 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 Act, 1925 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 :—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Langley, Morris, Selim Smith, Thomas, E. L. Ward 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 :—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore ; Councillors. Leigh James, Langley, Miller, Pruen, Waite and E. L. Ward, 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, except applications for extensions of service, 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.

Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the following do form the Public Library Committee for the ensuing year :—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Lipson, Thomas, E. L. Ward, Weech and Yarnold ; Rev. Canon P. M. C. Johnstone, Rev. Barbara Thomas ; Dr. R. Davies ; Messrs. H. J. Norris, E. C. Rogers, James Stewart, C. E. Walsh, B.A. and F. Vernall, 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.

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Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the following do form the Art Gallery and Museum Committee for the ensuing year:—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Clara Winterbotham and Margrett ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Langley, Morris and Weech ; Dr. R. Davies ; Messrs. C. R. Mapp, James Stewart and 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, 1933, and that eight be a quorum of the Committee.

Winter Garden Development Committee—Resolved, That the following do form the Winter Garden Development Committee for the ensuing year :—The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Margrett and Moore; Councillors Lipson, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Waite, J. F. Ward and Weech.

8—**Education Committee**—Resolved, That the following Members of the Council be appointed Members of the Education Committee for the ensuing year :—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Clara Winterbotham, Margrett and Moore ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Lipson, Morris, Pruen, P. T. Smith, J. F. Ward, Weech and Yarnold (one vacancy) also That The Rev. W. E. Beck and Mr. G. Blagg be re-appointed Members of the Education Committee for a further term of three years expiring on 9th November, 1934.

9—**Guardians Committee**—Resolved, That the following Members of the Council be nominated the Members of the Town Council to serve on the Guardians Committee for the ensuing year :—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, The Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Leigh James, Miller, Morris, P. T. Smith, J. F. Ward and Yarnold.

10—**Delancey Hospital Trustees**—Resolved, That Councillor S. C. Morris and Dr. R. Kirkland be appointed representative Trustees of the Delancey Hospital for a term of three years expiring on 9th November, 1935.

P. P. TAYLOR, Deputy Mayor.

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MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, 5th December, 1932.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 14th November, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, The Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Morris, Pruen, Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold.

1—Chairman—RESOLVED, That Councillor A. S. F. Pruen be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—Insanitary Property at (a) 55 Worcester Street ; Beckingsale Cottage, Normal Terrace ; 2 Hopewell Cottages, Waterloo Street ; 44 Burton Street ; 1, 2 and 3 Mayfield Cottages, Moorend Road-----The Committee having considered the representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses are satisfied that the said houses are houses occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation in the respect mentioned in the said official representation, and that they are capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Sub-section 1 of Section 17. of the Housing Act, 1930, notice be given to the persons having control of the houses requiring them to execute the

works to be specified in the notice which will in the opinion of the Committee render the houses fit for human habitation.

(b) 22 Glenfall Street and 63 Fairview Road—The Sanitary Inspector submitted letters from the Owners asking the Corporation to carry out the necessary work to the roofs etc. at these premises, and to charge the cost to them, He submitted three tenders for the work. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. A. J. Hyatt amounting to 4 18s. 6d. (being the lowest) be accepted.

3—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) Rooms over Stables at rear of 2 Pittville Parade—The Committee further considered the question of making a Closing Order in respect of these rooms. RESOLVED, That the Council, being satisfied that these rooms which are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes, and not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and no undertaking having been given by the Owner to carry out the works required to render the premises fit for human habitation or as to the future user of the said part of the said building, an Order be now made under the Common Seal in pursuance of Section 20 of the Housing Act, 1930 prohibiting the use of the said rooms for the purpose of a sleeping place:

(b) 45 Russell Street—The Committee considered official representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses. RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the above mentioned dwelling houses are unfit for human habitation and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, notice be given under Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, to the Owners, to the person having control of the houses and Mortgagees, if any, that the condition of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or the future user of the houses will be considered at a meeting of the Committee to be held on 9th January, 1933

(c) 16 Priory Terrace—The Committee further considered the question of making a Closing Order in respect of the basement of these premises. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the January meeting of the Committee,

(d) 2 Upper Bath Street—The Committee further considered the question of making a Demolition Order in respect of these premises, and Mr. J. Holman, the Owner, attended. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to obtain estimates for carrying out the work necessary for rendering the premises fit for human habitation.

(e) Kings Head Gardens—RESOLVED, That consideration of making Demolition Orders in respect of these premises be adjourned for six months.

(f) 5 Victoria Parade—Read, letter of the 1st inst. from Mr. C. H. Maynard, Owner of this house, that he had now put in hand the necessary work for making the premises fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That the proposal to make a Demolition Order be not proceeded with.

(g) 2 Carnal Cottages—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Owner of this house had now agreed to demolish the same by the end of the month.

(h) 4, 5 and 6 Rose and Crown Passage, and 1, 2 and 3 Grafton Passage—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to defer for a further period of six months the serving of notices requiring the tenants of these houses to quit the premises in respect of which Demolition Orders were made on the 1st February, 1932.

(i) 1 and 2 Home Cottages, Hatherley—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Owners of these premises had now carried out the necessary work to render the premises fit for human habitation, RESOLVED, That the Demolition Orders made under Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, on the 2nd November, 1931 be cancelled.

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(j) Haddonhurst, Grosvenor Street ; 113 Fairview Road and 310 High Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that he had inspected the two upper floors of 310 High Street and the basements of the other premises which did not comply with the regulations prescribed by the Corporation under the Housing Acts. RESOLVED, That the Council are satisfied that the above mentioned parts of the said buildings are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation, and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit and that notice be served upon the persons having control of the houses, Owners thereof, and mortgagees, if any, of the time and place at which the condition of the parts of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or future user thereof will be considered by the Council when any of the above mentioned persons will be entitled to be heard.

4—Overcrowding at 45 Hudson 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.

5—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-2 Hopewell Cottages, Waterloo Street ; 1-10 Casino Place; and 25 Montpellier 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.

6—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 4 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lbs. Beef ; 1 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lbs. Mutton ; 6 cwt. 19 lbs. Pork ; 13 lbs, Chicken ; 2 qrs. 3 lbs. Veal ; and 1 qr. 4 lbs. Rabbits.

7—Nuisances from Drains etc. at (a) 6 Station Street ; Brockley Villa, St. George's Place; 3 Angle Villas ; and 1, 2 and 3 Mayfield Cottages, Moorend 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 premises 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) 1, 2 and 3 Arle Mill Cottages—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 specified work within 28 days.

(c) 8 and 13 Sandford Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the work in respect of the drains at 6-9 and 11-13 Sandford Street was in progress, but that it had since been found necessary to carry out additional work at No. 8 and No. 13 Sandford Street, and he submitted tenders from Messrs. Amos Wilson & Son of £10 19s. 7d. and £7 7s. 0d. for 8 and 13 Sandford Street respectively. RESOLVED, That these tenders be accepted.

8—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—RESOLVED, That the applications of Amy B. R. Kerrod of 2 Roman Road, E. C. Roberts of Cotswold Dairy, 163 Bath Road, W. A. May of 12 Grosvenor Street, and F. G. Banting of Oakville, Gordon Road to be registered as Retail Purveyors of Milk within the Borough be granted subject to compliance with the usual conditions, and in the case of the last named subject also to the provision of a separate boiler for cleansing utensils.

9—Bovine Tuberculosis—Read, letters from the Peoples' League of Health asking the Council to adopt the recommendations of the meeting attended by over 300 people held at the Mansion House, London on 11th July last in regard to Tuberculosis of Bovine Origin. The Report emphasised : (a) the putting into operation of measures directed to diminish and ultimately eliminate tuberculosis amongst herds, (b) to encourage the establishment of herds certified free from tuberculosis, and (c) to promote legislation to give powers to large Urban Areas to require efficient pasteurisation of milk sold within their areas, and which is not drawn from tuberculosis free cows. RESOLVED, That this Committee approve of the Report of The Peoples' League of Health on Tuberculosis of Bovine Origin in Great Britain, and the recommendations therein contained.

10—Public Health Meat Regulations, 1924—The Sanitary' Inspector reported the slaughter and dressing of two pigs on unlicensed premises, and without the requisite notice being given, in contravention of the Regulations. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the owner of the pigs and the slaughterman, warning them against any further breach of the Regulations.

11—Market—Sale of Meat—The Sanitary Inspector submitted applications from Mr. H. Taylor of 2 New Street, Worcester and Mr. R. G. Vines of High Street, Upton-on-Severn for permission to sell meat from stalls at the Market. Read also, letter from the Cheltenham Master Butchers' Association in regard to the sale of meat carcasses at Market by Mr. C. C. Castle. RESOLVED, That the applications and sale of meat by Mr. C. C. Castle be referred to the General Purposes Committee with a recommendation that if the applications are granted they should be subject to the condition that the animals must be slaughtered in the Public Abattoir, and the Public Health Meat Regulations, 1924 complied with.

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12—Health Department—The Sanitary Inspector reported that A. C. F. Gisborne, Pupil in his Department, had obtained the new examination National Building Certificate issued by the Institute of Builders and Board of Education, and had also obtained the 3rd prize open National examination for Plumbing, and the final Certificate for Plumbing, Building Construction and Building Mathematics,

13—Houses Let in Lodgings—RESOLVED, That the application of Miss E. M. Parslow for the registration of 1 Victoria Place as a house let in lodgings be granted.

14—Common Lodging Houses—Applications were received from Mrs. Alice Ada Evans in respect of "The Nelson," High Street ; Cumberland Cottage, Grove Street ; and "The Shamrock," Grove Street ; Mr. Michele Fortucci in respect of Rowton House, Grove Street ; and Mr. Alphonse Augustus Van Meulbrouck in respect of Cumberland Villa and No. 4 Grove Street, for renewal of their registration as Common Lodging House Keepers, The Medical Officer of Health reported that he had inspected these places and found them satisfactory. RESOLVED, That the registration be renewed up to 31st December, 1933.

15—Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1923—Pasteuriser's Licence—(a) 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 in Imperial Lane, Cheltenham, be granted, the licence to expire on 31st December, 1933, unless previously revoked.

(b) Dealer's Licence—(i) RESOLVED, That the application of the Gloucestershire Dairy Co Ltd. for the renewal of the licence issued to Davis & Co. to sell "Pasteurised" Milk from 3 Rotunda Terrace, Montpellier Street, be granted, the licence to expire on 31st December, 1933, unless previously revoked.

(ii) RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Creamery Co Ltd. for renewal of their licence to sell " Certified " Milk from 3 and 4 Pittville Street and their Prestbury Road Depot, be granted, the licence to expire on 31st December, 1933, unless previously revoked.

16—Public Urinal—Parish Churchyard—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to report as to the desirability of closing this urinal.

17—Royal Institute of Public Health—Read, circular from this Institute inviting the attendance of delegates to the Annual Conference to be held at Eastbourne next Whitsuntide. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

18—Smoke Nuisance—(a) Gas Works—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the weather had not been suitable for taking another test of the emission of smoke and grit particles from the Gas Works chimney, RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned until the Spring, and that the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to have the Works kept under observation meanwhile.

(b) Damann Asphalte Works—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Company was now engaged in the installation of a special apparatus for dealing with the emission of smoke from the chimney of their works, RESOLVED, That he be instructed to report at the next meeting of the Committee.

19—Haydon and Barn Farms—(a) Mr. C. C. Castle attended and reported that Mr. G. P. Rymer had applied for an allowance in respect of his rent in view of the condition of the cattle raising industry for which the farms were suitable. RESOLVED, That the abatement recommended by Mr. Castle for the half year to Michaelmas and next Lady Day be allowed.

(b) Greenhouse—Mr. C. C. Castle reported that the greenhouse adjoining the Haydon Farmhouse was in a bad state of repair, and that Mr. Rymer suggested that this should be removed, RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that Councillors Leigh James and E. L. Ward be asked to inspect and report.

20—Gas Liquor—The Borough Surveyor submitted the first half-yearly report of the analyst, Mr. F. R. O'Shaughnessy. The figures yielded on analysis showed that an efficient effluent was being maintained.

21—Park Place Resewerage Scheme—The Pines—The Committee further considered the letter of 26th September last from Col. V. P. Brooke in regard to the cracks which were appearing in this house. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to inform him that the Council repudiate any liability in respect thereof.

ARTHUR S. F. PRUEN,

Chairman.

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HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 17th November, 1932. Present—Alderman Pates ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Morris and Yarnold.

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

2—**Sub-Committees**—RESOLVED, That the Chairman, Alderman Taylor, and Councillors Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Morris, P. T. Smith, Selim Smith, J. F. Ward and Yarnold be appointed the **Selection of Tenants and Repairs** and **View Sub-Committee**, and that the Chairman, Alderman Taylor, and Councillors Dr. Hayward, Waite and J. F. Ward be appointed **the Gardens' Prize Scheme Sub-Committee** for the ensuing year.

3—**Selection of Tenants and Repairs and View Sub-Committee**—Read, reports of the meetings of the Sub-Committee held on the 11th and 17th inst.

They recommended as follows:-

(a) Drainage—That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the tenants of the houses in Maud's Elm Terrace warning them against the improper use of the drains, as the Sanitary Inspector had reported that considerable damage was being done by careless usage.

(b) Outbuildings—That the following outbuildings be approved':—Sheds at 14 Spenser Road, 9 Orchard Terrace and 17 Shelley Road ; Sheds at 72 Pilley Crescent and 16 Byron Road, subject to the bases of the sheds being wired and concreted to prevent rats ; Sheds at 75 Pilley Crescent and 8 Shelley Road, subject to the sheds being set back at least 10 feet from the house, and to the Borough Electrical Engineer's approval of the electric wiring ; Shed at 3 Tennyson Road, subject either to 6

inches space being left under the floor, or to the base of the shed being wired and concreted to prevent rats.

(c) 11 Shelley Road—That the application of the tenant of this house for an extension of his garden be not granted.

(d) 117 Tennyson Road—That Mr. Rainger be asked to report as to the damp walls of this house.

(e) 71 Tennyson Road—That a new Futurite floor be laid in the living room of this house, as the present floor is affected with dry-rot.

(f) 1-39 Pilley Crescent—That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the lower courses of these houses repointed. RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

4—Sale of Houses—(a) 46 Shakespeare Road—The Town Clerk submitted offer from Mr. G. W. Laity to purchase this house for £525, being the price at which the house was valued by the District Valuer. RESOLVED, That the offer be accepted, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sale.

(b) Read, letter from Messrs, G. H. Bayley & Sons offering on behalf of a client to purchase 12 houses in Brooklyn, Kipling and Shakespeare Roads for the sum of £5,400, subject to the Corporation paying the usual agency commission. The Town Clerk also submitted the valuation of the District Valuer, in which he valued the houses at prices varying from £515 to £540. RESOLVED, That this offer be not accepted.

(c) The Town Clerk submitted statement prepared by the Borough Treasurer of the annual instalment of principal and interest at 5 per cent. for repayment of a loan of 90 per cent. of the purchase money within a period of 20 years. This showed that the annual payment in respect of mortgage and rates for a house valued at £500 would amount to £46 8s. 0d. per annum as against the payment of rent and rates of £34 6s. 0d. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to send a circular to the tenants on St. Mark's Housing Estate, calling their attention to the facilities available for the purchase of the houses occupied by them.

5-61 Kipling Road—Read, letter of the 14th inst. from the owner of this house, offering to purchase a strip of land three feet wide, being part of the garden of the adjoining house, 63 Kipling Road. RESOLVED, That on No. 63 Kipling Road becoming vacant, or the tenant agreeing to give up the necessary land, the Council agree to the sale of the land at the Valuation of the District Valuer. 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.

6-40 Cleveland Street—The Sanitary Inspector submitted four tenders received for carrying out the necessary work of reconditioning these premises. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. Trigg Bros. of £174 12s. 0d. (being the lowest) be accepted subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

7-8 Crabtree Place—The Housing Manager reported that the tenant of this house had taken in lodgers without first obtaining approval. RESOLVED, That the tenant be given one month's notice to quit.

8—Slum Clearance—New Houses—The Committee considered the reference from the Council of the letter from the Cheltenham and District Employment Committee in regard to the unemployment in the building industry, in which they urged the Council to proceed with the building of more houses, which they believed could be erected and let at an economic rent. The Town Clerk reported that he had made an offer to the L.M.S. Railway Co. to purchase the whole of their land, but had not received any reply. He submitted particulars of 6 alternative sites which appeared to be suitable. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to ascertain the price at which three of these sites can be purchased.

9—St. Paul's Street South Clearance Area—The Town Clerk submitted offer from the Corpus Christi College for the sale of their land at the rear of St. Paul's Street South, and statement of the estimated cost of acquiring the sites of the demolished houses, and the land at the rear. The statement showed that the total cost of acquiring the land would be about £647 19s. 2d., and Mr. Rainger reported that only nine houses could be erected on the land. In addition to the above cost, the cost of widening and improving the street was estimated at £580 and the sum of £240 had already been spent in the purchase of the Britannia Inn which under the terms offered by the College was to be demolished and added to the street. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee when Mr. Rainger be asked to report as to the erection on the land of a smaller type of house for aged persons.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 30th November, 1932, Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Pates ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, The Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Lipson, Morris, P. T. Smith, Selim Smith and Yarnold (Alderman Pates in the chair).

10—Slum Clearance—Read, letter from Messrs. Tayler, Fletcher & Villar offering the back portion of the land containing 4 a. 1 r. 20 p. together with a strip 20 ft. wide from Gloucester Road to give access to the land on the west side for the sum of £2,000, but stating that the owner would prefer to sell the whole of the land containing 7 a. 0 r. 26 p. RESOLVED, That the District Valuer be instructed to negotiate terms for the purchase of the whole of the land.

11—New Houses, St. Mark's—The Committee considered suggestion of the Chairman that with a view to putting some building work in hand at the earliest possible date, additional houses should be erected at St. Mark's on the vacant land, and that these should be built without the aid of subsidy, and let at an economic rent. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to advertise for tenders for 34 non-parlour three bedroom houses to be erected on a new road and cul-de-sac to be constructed off Shelley Road, and that tenders be confined to local builders. It was estimated that these houses when complete could be let at 11s per week plus rates. RESOLVED, also, That

application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £1,830 for the construction of the new road, footpaths and sewer as estimated by the Borough Surveyor.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

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STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 21st November, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Pates; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Scott Langley, Thomas and Yarnold.

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

2—**Requisitions, Stores and Plant Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That the Chairman, Alderman Pates and Councillors Scott Langley and Yarnold be appointed members of this Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

3—Evesham Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted letter from Messrs. G. Herbert and Co. offering to give up the necessary land for the rounding off of the corner of the grounds of "Anlaby" as desired by the Committee. RESOLVED, That the offer be accepted with thanks,

4—Refuse Collection—The Committee considered the reference from the Public Health Committee in regard to the present practice of collecting only house refuse and excluding garden refuse and the Borough Surveyor submitted statement giving particulars of the practice in 19 other towns similar to Cheltenham. RESOLVED, That the present practice be continued,

5—County Roads—The Borough Surveyor submitted letter from the County Surveyor asking for the estimates for the maintenance of the County Roads next year to be forwarded to him during the first week in December. RESOLVED, That it be left to the Chairman and the Borough Surveyor to forward these.

6—Naunton Way—The Borough Surveyor reported that Naunton Estates Ltd., had completed the length of new road known as Naunton Way to his satisfaction, and now asked for the road to be taken over. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to take over the road, and that the Statutory Notice be given accordingly.

7—Lansdown Road Surface Water Drain—The Borough Surveyor reported that the surface water drain in Lansdown Road from Lypiatt Road to Hatherley Road was in an unsatisfactory condition, and trouble was given owing to blockages from tree roots. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned until next year's estimates are considered.

8—County Court Road—RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs. R. E. & C. Marshall for permission to erect a chimney in the recess on the footpath in County Court Road for Messrs. Cavendish House Ltd., be not granted.

9—High Street—The Borough Surveyor reported that on the 15th ult., a 30 cwt. van belonging to Messrs. Jay's Furnishing Stores was drawn on to the pavement outside 224 High Street for the purpose of loading some furniture, and damaged the footpath to the extent of 8s 7d. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for making good the damage.

10—Projecting Signs—(a) RESOLVED, That the applications of Messrs. G. A. Evans, H. Messenger, W. P. Honeysett and T. -W. Waite & Son for permission to fix projection signs at 21a Winchcomb Street, 243 High Street, 3 Clarence Street and 349 High Street respectively be approved subject to the usual conditions, and in the case of 243 High Street and 3 Clarence Street, subject also to the lamps not being coloured.

(b) The Town Clerk reported that since the last meeting, the Chairman had granted permission for projecting signs to be erected at Messrs Edwards & Marshall's Garage, Winchcomb Street, and the Repertory Theatre, North Street. RESOLVED, That these be approved.

(c) RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham and District Gas Company for permission to erect 3 or 4 columns in North Street opposite their offices for the purposes of flood lighting their premises, be not granted.

11—Aerial across Highway—RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Section 25 of the Public Health Act, 1925, consent be given to Mr. C. Hawker to place an aerial wire from Barrett's Mill Cottage across Vernon Place to a telegraph pole given the opposite side of the road subject to this being placed at least 20 feet above the road, and being maintained and kept in a satisfactory condition, and that the owner shall be responsible for any damage or injury arising by or in consequence of the wire crossing the highway, and that the wire shall be removed by the owner within one month after notice from the Corporation requiring this, and subject also to the approval of the Post Office Telegraphs Department being obtained.

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12—Clarence Street—The Committee considered complaint received from Mrs. Honeysett in regard to the danger of the traffic at the Clarence Street Lamp, caused by traffic entering Clarence Street from Post Office Lane. RESOLVED, That the Post Office be asked to arrange for their vans to enter Post Office Lane by way of Clarence Street, and leave by way of Crescent Terrace.

13—Willoughby House—The Borough Surveyor submitted report on the condition of the fence at this house. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for view,

14—Obstruction of Footpaths—Read, letter from Mr. George Bradfield complaining of the obstruction of footpaths in various parts of the town. RESOLVED, That the letter be referred to Superintendent Wayman for him to take necessary action in appropriate cases.

J. H. TRITE,

Chairman.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 21st November, 1932. Present—Councillors The Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward and Yarnold ; Mrs. Booy and Mrs. Mellersh (Councillor Dr. Hayward in the chair).

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

2—Children and Young Persons Act, 1932—The Town Clerk submitted circular of 4th inst. from the Ministry of Health, together with Memoranda in regard to this Act. RESOLVED, That the Medical Officer of Health be instructed to draw the attention of the public to the provisions of the Act by advertising in the " Echo " and posters and leaflets as suggested by the Ministry of Health.

3—Nutrition—The Town Clerk submitted circular of 27th ult., from the Ministry of Health in regard to the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Nutrition. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Medical Officer of Health.

W. CURLING HAYWARD,

Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 24th November, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris and Yarnold ; Capt. Leschallas, Messrs. W. S. F. Harris and A. Wiggett (The Mayor in the chair).

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

2—Plans of New Buildings—(a) The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings, namely :—

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
3416	Metford, Mrs. G. P.	Motor house, 1 Beechworth Villas, Hales Road.
3417	Ward, E. L.	Motor house with store-room above, Penstone, Hatherley Court Road.
3418	Cheltenham Shopfitting Company	Alteration and additions, Cheltenham Shopfitting Works, St. James' Square.
3420	Haines & Strange	Alterations and new garage, 19 Albion Street.
3421	Merrett, W. H.	Lock-up garages, Hotel Majestic, Park Place.
3422	Mitchell, C.	Detached bungalow, Arle Road.
3423	Stubbs, Messrs.	Alterations and additions, 146 High Street.
3424	Williams, A. A. & Co.	Rebuilding of premises, 19 Portland Street.
3425	Whitehouse, W. S.	Motor house, 12 Pittville Lawn.
3426	Barnard, L. W.	New bay windows, The Cedars, Fairmount Road.

3427	Thompson, R. S.	New wing addition, The Orchards, Tudor Lodge Road
3428	De Haig, Col. H.	Motor house, Instow, Malvern Road.
3429	Bruce, Mrs. E. M.	Two semi-detached houses, Andover Road.
3430	Highbury Church Committee	Detached house, Carlton Street.
3431	Willett, F.	Preliminary plan for three houses, Knapp Road.
3432	Trigg Bros.	Preliminary plan for two semi-detached houses, Arle Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 3416, 3417, 3424, 3425, 3426, 3427, 3428, 3429, 3430 and 3432 be approved ; That Plans Nos. 3418, 3420, 3422 and 3423 be approved subject to the drainage and sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector ; That Plan No. 3421 be approved subject to the garages being used as the Garage of the Hotel, and to no unnecessary noise or disturbance being caused to occupiers of houses in the immediate vicinity ; and That consideration of Plan No. 3431 be adjourned.

(b) Contravention of Byelaws—Douro Lodge—The Borough Surveyor reported that a motor house had been erected at this house without plans having been submitted to and approved by the Committee. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give notice to the owner to show cause why the building should not be removed as being in contravention of the Byelaws.

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.
380	Tanner, Mrs..	Amended elevation of bungalow, Shurdington,
382	Tarrant, Col. J. F.	Garage, Lyefield Lawn, Lyefield Road West, Charlton Kings.
383	Organ, A. E.	Petrol Pump, Lilleybrook Lawn, Cirencester Road.
384	Roberts, J.	Conversion of garage into bungalow, Chestnut Walk, Prestbury.
385	Bailey, A.	Pair of semi-detached bungalows, Warden Hill Road.
386	Ward, G.	Two pairs of semi-detached houses, Shaw Green Lane,
387	Evans, T.	House, Russell's Piece, Tewkesbury Road, Boddington.
388	Pearce, R. E.	House, Station Road, Woodmancote.
389	Rogers, C. Coxwell	Swimming bath, Rossley Manor, Dowdeswell.
390	Smith, C. A.	Development, Old Bath Road.
391	Wheeler & Mansell	Lay-out of land, corner of Gloucester Road and Alstone Lane.
392	Hall, Mr.	Lay-out of Treeland's Estate, Leckhampton Road.
393	Bendall, A. C.	Garage, The Moors, Badgeworth Lane.
394	H.M. Office of Works	Telephone Exchange, Prestbury.

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RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 382, 384, 389, 393 and 394 be approved ; That Plan No 383 be approved subject to the petrol pump being erected on the site marked A on the plan, and to the conditions

upon which permission was given for the installation of the pump at last month's meeting ; That Plan No. 385 be approved subject to the owner entering into an undertaking to surrender the land without compensation for the improvement of Warden Hill Road as proposed in the Town Planning Scheme if and when required ; That Plan No. 386 be approved subject to the front fence being set back to the line of adjoining premises ; That Plan No. 388 be approved subject to the materials and colouring used in the external finish of the building being approved by the Committee ; That Plan No. 391 be approved subject to the following conditions (1) the diameter of the turning space at the end of the carriageway to be increased to 40 feet, (2) the owner to set back the fence for widening Alstone Lane to 40 feet, (3) the buildings to be arranged so as to give an adequate sight line across the corner plot on Gloucester Road, and (4) to the submission of plans showing all particulars required by the Committee with regard to roads, sewers etc. ; That consideration of Plan No. 392 be adjourned to enable the views of the adjoining owners to be obtained ; and That Plans Nos. 380, 387 and 390 be not approved.

4—Alstone Lane—Read, letter of 21st inst. from Messrs. Jessop & Son that their client proposed to purchase a portion of the Field No. 2024 E. on the Map of the Ordnance Survey for the erection of a bungalow. This land had been scheduled in the Scheme as market garden land. RESOLVED, That the application be granted.

5—Charlton Park--The Town Planning Assistant reported interview with the County Surveyor with reference to the objection made on behalf of Mr. Hugh Reeves to the widening of Cirencester Road. The County Surveyor saw no objection to provision being made for a service road on the Charlton Park Estate at the rear of the plantation along the frontage to the road, which would avoid the destruction of the belt of trees. RESOLVED, That this proposal be approved, and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for approval of this alteration.

6— Church Road, Leckhampton—Read, letters from three residents complaining of a house in Church Road, belonging to Mr. H. White being converted into a shop. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to Mr. White calling his attention to the provisions of the Scheme, and to point out that the consent of the Town Planning Authority must be obtained before any change in user of property is made.

7—Improvement and Building Lines, Shurdington Road—The Town Clerk submitted notice and plan received from the County Council that the improvement and building lines in Shurdington Road from the Borough Boundary to the Brockworth Cross Hands had now been approved by the County Council. RESOLVED, That no objection be made

8--Seven Springs- --Read, letter of 21st inst. from Messrs. McLaren & Jeens that their clients proposed to purchase part of the Seven Springs Estate for the purposes of erecting two bungalows and brick pigstys, poultry Farm and a petrol filling station. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that the views of the County Council and the Rural District Council be obtained thereon.

9—Royal Crescent—Read, letter of 17th inst., from the Cheltenham Civic Society, expressing the Society's regret that this garden had been scheduled in the Town Planning Scheme for a Car Park, and suggesting that if the proposal is carried out, the existing trees in the garden should be

preserved as far as possible. The Town Planning Assistant submitted alternative plans for laying out a portion of the garden as a Car Park. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

10—Elevations of Buildings—Read, letters from the Cheltenham Civic Society that they had appointed Messrs. T. Overbury, H. Stratton Davis and W. L. Mellersh to act as an Advisory Committee to consider any plans referred to them

11—Leckhampton Road—Read, letter of 9th inst., from the Ministry of Health, enclosing copy of appeal received from Mr. Ivelaw Chapman against the refusal of the Council to grant permission for the development of his land in Leckhampton Road which had been scheduled for the Southern By-pass, and asking for the observations of the Council thereon. The Town Clerk submitted his draft letter in reply. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

E. L. WARD,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 1,9th November, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Pates; Councillors Pruen, P. T. Smith, Waite and E. L. Ward; Messrs. H. W. Bennett and E. J. Burrow, and Dr. J. Howell.

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

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

Montpellier Baths Alderman Sawyer and Councillor Thomas

Montpellier Gardens Councillors Pruen and Thomas.

Town Hall and Winter Garden Alderman Pates and Councillor Selim Smith.

Alstone Baths ... Councillors P. T. Smith and E. L. Ward.

3—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—(a) RESOLVED, That in future the Concerts Sub-Committee be called the Entertainments Sub-Committee and that the following be appointed members of the Sub-Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Pates and Sawyer Councillors Lipson, P. T. Smith, Thomas and Waite.

Read, Reports of the meetings of the Sub-Committee on the 8th and 15th inst. They recommended as follows :—

(a) Winter Garden—Mr. W. J. Green had made application on behalf of the Ways and Means Committee of the General Hospital for the use of the -Winter Garden for a boxing tournament to be held on the 8th March. Mr. Green stated that it would be necessary to remove the partition dividing the tennis court and skating rink and to erect seating stands, and to do this it would be necessary to

have possession of the tennis court and skating rink for about one month which would result in a net loss of revenue to the Corporation of about The Sub-Committee recommended that the use of the building be granted at a rent of £5, subject to the Organising Committee making good all loss suffered by the Corporation, and to their undertaking the removal, and if necessary, the re-erection of the partition to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor.

(b) Boxing—That Professional Boxing Entertainments be held on the 21st November and the 5th, 19th and 26th December and 2nd January, and an Amateur Boxing Entertainment on the 16th January in accordance with the terms as now settled by the Committee.

(c) Christmas Programme—That the Christmas and New Year Programme submitted by the Entertainments Manager be approved, and that he be authorised to engage Cabarets for the Boxing Night and New Year Carnival Balls at a cost of £10, and to purchase novelties for each of the Balls at a cost of for each Ball.

(d) That the sum of £12 be allocated for prizes for the three Childrens' Fancy Dress Dance Teas, and that the Entertainments Manager be authorised to engage a Cabaret for the Dance Tea and Evening Dance on December 9th and 10th at a cost of £12.

(e) That a Special Municipal Dance be held on a date to be arranged for the finals of the Western Counties Amateur Waltz Championship organised by Betty and Peter Dighton, the Corporation to retain 50 per cent. of the receipts and to provide advertising, hall and band.

(f) Meetings—That in future the meetings of the Sub-Committee be held on Mondays at 10 am.

(g) Whit-Monday Fete—(a) That the offer of Mr. Edwards of £100 for the amusement rights at next year's Whit-Monday Fête be accepted subject to £25 deposit being paid by the 12th December, 1932, and a further £25 before the 31st May, 1933.

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

4—Medical Baths—(a) The Monthly Report of the Superintendent was read.

(b) The Committee considered application from a local medical practitioner for facilities for testing the Baths. RESOLVED, That local practising doctors be allowed to have up to a maximum of nine free medical baths on application to the Entertainments Manager.

5—Town Hall—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham and District Christmas Relief Fund Committee for the free use of the Town Hall for the Annual Whist Drive and Dance in aid of the fund be granted as last year

(b) Conference—RESOLVED, That the application of the Rev. Ezra Kendall for the free use of the Supper Room on the 10th and 11th May next for the Methodist Conference be granted.

(c) Catering—The Entertainments Manager submitted tenders for the supply of urns for the Catering at the Town Hall. RESOLVED, That the Chairman be authorised to accept a tender for two urns.

6—Christmas Programme—The Entertainments Manager submitted tenders and designs for the Christmas Attractions Booklet RESOLVED, That he be authorised to obtain 3,000 copies at a cost of £11 6s. 6d.

7—Advertising—Mr. H. W. Bennett reported that the Chamber of Commerce had arranged with the Great Western Railway Company for renting an illuminated panel in a prominent position on No. 1 platform at Paddington, The panel would contain advertisements of Cheltenham, the subject matter of which could be changed throughout the year The cost of this was £70, and the Chamber of Commerce were willing to arrange and pay for the alterations necessary to be made in the advertisements throughout the year. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to agree to pay £35 towards the cost of this advertisement, the cost of this to be charged to next year's advertising account,

8—Montpellier Gardens—Floral Fete—Messrs. E. Baring, W. J. Green, F. Cypher and Mrs. Bisset attended as a deputation from the Floral Fête Committee and asked for the use of Montpellier Gardens for the 12th and 13th July, 1933, for the Floral Fete. The National Rose Society had agreed to hold their Provincial Show at Cheltenham on this date, and the Entertainments would include a Floral Pageant by 1,000 performers. RESOLVED, That the use of the Gardens (with the exception of the Putting Course) be granted for the two days of the Show (namely 12th and 13th July, 1932), subject to details of the positions of the tents and side-shows, etc., and the time to be taken for the erection and removal of these being submitted to and approved by the Committee, subject also to the Floral Fête Committee 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, and also to the Show being closed at 10.30 each night. RESOLVED, also, That the tennis courts at these Gardens be let one week earlier if the ground is suitable for play.

9—Entertainments Manager's Office—The Committee considered the appointment of a Clerk in the Entertainments Manager's Office. RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Sub-Committee be asked to consider and report thereon,

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 25th November, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Pates; Councillors Lipson, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Salim Smith and Waite; Mr. E. J. Burrow and Dr. J. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair).

10—Alstone Baths—The Committee further considered application from the Central School for free swimming tickets for scholars who had gained Medallions and Certificates of the Royal Life Saving Society. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that the views of Education Committee be obtained thereon.

11—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Report of Sub-Committee at their Meeting held on the 21st inst.

They recommended as follows :—

(a) Boxing—That 25 per cent of the net receipts from the Amateur Boxing Entertainment to be held on 27th February next be paid to St. Gregory's Athletic Club.

(b) Entertainments Manager's Office—The Sub-Committee had interviewed two applicants for the appointment of clerk in this office, RESOLVED, That Mr. H. M. Anderson of the Town Clerk's Department be appointed for a probationary period of three months at a salary of £1 15s. 0d. per week.

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

12—Sunday Cafe Concerts—RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to provide a vocalist at the next two Sunday Cafe Concerts.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 21st November, 1932. Present—Alderman Moore ; Councillors Scott Lot yid., Waite and E. L. Ward.

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

2—Day of Meeting—RESOLVED, That the day of the meeting of this Committee be altered to the Monday preceding the Council Meeting.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 28th November, 1932. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore; Councillors Leigh James, Scott Langley, Waite and E. L. Ward (Alderman Moore in the chair).

3—St. John's Ambulance—The Committee considered application from the St. John's Ambulance Brigade asking for a contribution towards the cost of purchasing an apparatus for reviving persons rendered unconscious by electric shock and gas fumes which they had been recommended to obtain, RESOLVED, That in view of the subscription already made by the Council, the Committee are unable to accede to the application.

4—Cleeve Hill—With reference to the decision of the Committee to lay a spare duct in part of the trench in Stockwell Lane to be opened up by the Post Office Telephones Department, the Borough Electrical Engineer reported that on going further into the matter it was found that little saving, if any, would be made, and in the circumstances he recommended that this be not proceeded with.

RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted, and that Minute No. 1 passed at the meeting of the Committee on the 26th May last be rescinded.

5—Electrical Research Association—The Committee considered application from the Electrical Research Association for an increase in the subscription made by the Corporation. RESOLVED, That the application be not granted.

6—Supply to Hester's Way—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported applications for supply from residents near the Shropshire Power Company's Sub-station at Hester's -Way, and that as it was not desirable to tap the 11,000 volt cables running from Hester's Way into the town, he had arranged for the Power Company to provide a low pressure supply from their transformer, RESOLVED, That this be approved, and that the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to arrange terms with the Power Company for the supply, and that the Common Seal be affixed to an agreement, and that application be made to the Ministry of Transport for consent to the erection of the necessary overhead line to give this supply.

7—Closing of Works—The Borough Electrical engineer reported that temporary work had been found for 18 displaced men leaving only 4 for whom no work could be found. He reported interview with two officials of the Trade Union representing some of the employees in regard to their claims for compensation, and the Town Clerk reported that he had now heard from the Ministry of Labour that a claim had been lodged on their behalf, and the Ministry was adopting the usual course of appointing a referee to settle the amount of compensation.

8—Public Lighting—St. Margaret's Road and Promenade—Read, letter from the Black & White Motorways Ltd., asking for improved lighting at the junction of St. Margaret's Road and North Place and at the junction of Promenade and Imperial Square. RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to alter the position of the lamp on the corner of St. Margaret's Road to a position. on the north side of the road, and that a larger lamp be provided, but that the application to provide additional lighting at the junction of Promenade and Imperial Square be not granted.

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9—Supply to Rural Areas—(a) Crickley Hill and Birdlip—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the West Gloucestershire Power Company raised no objection to an application by the Corporation for an Order to take in premises in Birdlip Village, and that he had interviewed officers of the County Council and the Rural District Council, and satisfied them as to the proposed overhead lines for the supply. RESOLVED, (a) That application be made to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to a loan of 12,952. for the cost of carrying out the scheme ; (b) That application be made to the Ministry of Transport for consent to the placing of overhead lines under Section 10 (b) of the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act, 1899, and also that application be made for the consents of the local authorities concerned, and that the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to obtain the necessary wayleaves for the laying of cables, and erection of lines, and for payment of compensation for removal of any trees ; (c) That application be made to the Electricity Commissioners for the grant of an Order under Section 6 of the Electric Lighting Act, 1909 authorising a supply to houses and premises at Birdlip Village partly in the parishes of Cowley, Brimpsfield and Witcombe.

(b) Uckington---The Committee further considered letter from the Clerk to the Cheltenham Rural District Council asking for the four-member transformer pole erected off Tewkesbury Road opposite Violet Villa to be moved as far as possible in the direction of Hayden Road. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to accede to this request, and that the Town Clerk's proposed letter in reply be approved. (c) The Grange, Bishop's Cleeve—Read, letter of 21st inst., from the Ministry of Transport consenting to the placing of overhead lines in the parish of Bishop's Cleeve, the consent to be subject to the requirements as to Overhead Lines made by the Electricity Commissioners on 22nd May, 1931, and the Ministry reserved the right to review the situation at any time after the expiration of five years.

10—Accounts --RESOLVED, That the period for obtaining discount on monthly accounts be extended to 14 days as in the case of quarterly accounts.

11—Gas Tests--Read, Reports of Gas Tests made on 28th ult. and 4th, 13th, 18th and 22nd inst., which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 474.2, 470.9, 472.8, 470.8 and 470.8 B.Th.U. respectively, and the Pressure 5.4, 5.4, 7.8, 5.6 and 5.6 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 15th November, 1932. Present—Aldermen Margrett and Pates ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Morris and Selim Smith.

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

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days ended 14th November, 1932.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	245,000 gallons	222,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	1,142,000 “	899,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	50,000	48,000
Total	1,437,000	1,169,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	14th November, 1932.		14th November, 1931.	
Hewletts		9,703,000 gallons		21,085,000gallons
Dowdeswell	19ft. 5in.	42,472,000 “	31ft.1ins.	95,194,000 “
Leckhampton	11ft. 0ins.	1,485,000	12ft.0ins.	1,620,000
Total Storage		53,660,000		117,899,000

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

4—Dowdeswell Reservoir—(a) RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to report as to the work necessary for preventing the slipping of the bank adjoining the Reservoir on the Dowdeswell Wood side, and the estimated cost of carrying out such work.

(b) Fish—RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer be authorised to purchase 200 9-inch trout for this Reservoir.

5—Salts Farm—Read, letter of the 7th inst., from Mr. C. C. Castle that Mr. Dunn, the tenant of this farm did not wish to continue the tenancy unless the rent was reduced to £70 per annum, and if the Committee were unable to make this reduction he asked to be released from his tenancy at Michaelmas, 1933. RESOLVED, That no reduction be made, and that Mr. Dunn be released from his tenancy at Michaelmas next.

6—Hewletts Reservoirs—The Borough Engineer and Medical Officer of Health reported on their inspection of the Springs supplying these reservoirs

7—Tewkesbury Waterworks—Read, letter of the 14th inst., from the Ministry of Labour that the Ministry were concerned at the comparatively few number of men employed on this work and enquiring the present position of the works, the date when completion was expected, and the weekly average number of men to be employed during the outstanding period, and stating that the Ministry presumed that the Council would arrange for a greater proportion of men from depressed areas to be employed during the outstanding period to make up for past deficiencies, and the Town Clerk submitted his proposed reply. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

8—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, 22nd November, 1932. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Margrett and Moore; Councillors Pruen, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold.

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

2—**Market Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That the Chairman, The Mayor, The Deputy Mayor and Alderman Moore be appointed members of the Market Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

3—**Fire Brigade Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That the Chairman, Aldermen Pates and Sawyer and Councillor Thomas be appointed members of the Fire Brigade Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

4—**Traffic Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That The Mayor, The Deputy Mayor, Alderman Moore and Councillors Pruen and Thomas be appointed members of the Traffic Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

5—Diseases Amongst Animals—Superintendent Wayman reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

6—Fire Brigade—(a) The Captain reported that on 10th inst. the Brigade was called to a fire on a trailer loaded with furniture in Gloucester Road, Staverton. Cause not apparent. Brigade Expenses £5 5s. 0d.

(b) Read, letter of 20th ult. from Mr. C. Coxwell Rogers that he had decided not to enter into an agreement for the provision of the services of the Brigade in the event of an outbreak occurring at Rossley Manor Country Club.

7—Naunton Lane—(a) Read, letter from Naunton Estates (Cheltenham) Ltd. that they had now completed the building of their houses on the Naunton Lane frontage of their estate, and asking the Corporation to take the necessary steps to number all the houses in Naunton Lane. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to report as to the cost of this to the next meeting of the Committee.

(b) The Borough Surveyor reported that Naunton Estates Ltd. had asked for the new road off Naunton Lane to be named, which they suggested be called "Naunton Way." RESOLVED, That this be approved, and that the road be named " Naunton Way."

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8—Hackney Carriage Licences—RESOLVED, That the application of W. H. Kent for the transfer of Licence No. 5 to Motor cab DF 9576 be granted.

9—Superannuation—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Grounds Committee, That the services of W. Hamlin, Custodian at Whaddon Road Recreation Ground, be extended for one year up to 20th January, 1934.

10—Petrol Licences--(a) The Town Clerk submitted list of licences to store petroleum and carbide which had not been taken up. RESOLVED, That the Petroleum Inspector be instructed to inspect and report whether any of these stores are being used with a view to proceedings being taken.

(b) RESOLVED, That the application of the Premiere Polish Co. Ltd. for a licence to store 500 gallons in an underground storage tank at Alstone Works, Great Western Road, be granted.

11—Armistice Day—RESOLVED, That the sum of be granted to the Cheltenham Remembrance Day Association towards the expenses incurred in connection with the observance of Armistice Day, subject to production of Balance Sheet.

12—Athletic Ground—The Town Clerk reported that the Rugby Football Club had now entered into an agreement whereby the rent of the Athletic Ground would be increased by £20 per annum for the two years ending May, 1935.

13—Market—RESOLVED, That no objection be raised to the applications of H. Taylor of 2 New Street, Worcester, and R. G. Vines of High Street, Upton-on-Severn for permission to sell meat from stalls at the Market, and to the sale of meat by Mr. Castle, subject to the conditions that the animals are slaughtered in the Abattoir and to the Public Health Meat Regulations, 1924, being complied with.

14—Shops Acts--Read, circular of 21st inst from the Home Office that an Order had been made suspending the operation of the Shops Acts relating to closing hours from Monday, 19th December to Saturday, 24th December, both days inclusive.

15—Town Clerk's Department—Staff—The Town Clerk reported that though authorised in February last to engage a Second Assistant at a salary of £180-£200 per annum to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. F. F. Yarnall he had carried on with a temporary clerk at a week. Another clerk (H. M. Anderson) had now been transferred to the Entertainments Manager's office for a probationary period of three months. He therefore thought it would be best to defer the re-arrangement of his staff pending decision as to the retention of Anderson's services by the Entertainments Manager, but in the meantime he would require another temporary clerk. The Committee considered the salaries of the staff and it was RESOLVED to recommend the Council to make the following revisions of salaries to take effect as from 1st January next :—

	Present Salary,	Increase.
R. Board, Chief Assistant	£350	£25 and a further increase of £25 on 1st January, 1934.
Miss Bradshaw ...	£143	£17.
G. Nash (Temporary Clerk)	£104	£13.
J. Roberts	£52	£13 and a further increase of £13

and also that the Town Clerk be authorised to engage another temporary clerk at 30s a week. The revision recommended makes a total of £795 for next year as against £790 previously authorised.

16—Car Park, Imperial Square—Read, Petition from residents in Imperial Square complaining of the nuisance from cars at this parking place at night. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for information to be obtained as to the facilities for parking cars in the neighbouring garages at night and that in the meantime an additional Parking Attendant be engaged to supervise the Car Park when the Town Hall is engaged for evening Dances.

17—Omnibus Licences—(a) Read, letters from the Chairman and Manager of the Cheltenham District Traction Company in regard to the request of the Council for a more frequent service of Omnibuses on the Charlton Kings and Leckhampton Routes between the hours of 12 noon and 2.30 p.m., and 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. The Company were carefully watching these services and if it was found desirable to augment the services the Company would make application to the Traffic Commissioners accordingly.

(b) Long Distant Services—The Town Clerk reported that as instructed he had made representations to the Traffic Commissioners that a condition should be attached to licences for long distance services requiring omnibuses to pick up and set down passengers at the Black and White Motor

Coach Station and that the Commissioners had expressed their intention of reviewing the whole of the local omnibus services, as it was their desire to assist the Corporation in every way possible.

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18—Soup Kitchen—Read, letter of 13th inst. from Rev. Ezra Kendall that the Soup Kitchen had now been re-opened and asking the Council to make a grant towards the expenses. RESOLVED, That the sum of £10 be granted to the Rev. Ezra Kendall to be expended on the Soup Kitchen.

19—Enlargement of Town Council—The Committee considered the decision of the Council to enlarge its membership. The Town Clerk submitted draft Petition for the division of the Borough into nine wards based on the County Council Electoral Divisions which would increase the membership of the Council by nine Councillors and three Aldermen. (A copy of this Petition accompanies the Minutes). RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned until the next Meeting and that the Town Clerk be instructed to revise the Petition to provide for the division of the Borough into eight wards.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 14th November, 1932. Present—Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, Waite and J. F. Ward ; and Mr. Clarkson.

1—Chairman—RESOLVED, That Councillor J. F. Ward 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 Lt.-Col. Biggs and Mr. F. Vizard.
East Ward	Selim Smith and Mr. E. M. Yeend.
South Ward	Waite and Mr. F. W. Clarkson.
West Ward	P. T. Smith and Mr. C. H. Tandy.

and that notices be put up at the allotments of the names of the Visitors appointed.

3—Allotments Nos. 25 and 36 Whaddon Lane (Old)—Read, letter from the tenant of these allotments, asking the Corporation to defer taking possession of the allotments, and promising to pay the whole of his arrears of rent by the end of the year. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the January meeting of the Committee.

4—Allotment No. 1 Electricity Works—Read, letter from Mr. J. W. Jefferies offering to take this allotment if the Committee would allow him six months rent free to enable him to clean the ground. RESOLVED, That he be allowed six months rebate in the rent.

5—Albert Road Allotments—Read, letter from Mr. Morris, again complaining of the damage caused to his crops by rabbits in the hedgerow on the land adjoining the allotments. RESOLVED, That the

Town Clerk be instructed to write again to the owner of the adjoining land, asking him to take steps to abate the nuisance.

6—Allotment No. 17 (b) Whaddon Lane (1920)—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of Mr. Yeend, That the tenant of this allotment be allowed a rebate of three months in the rent to enable him to clean the ground.

7—Allotment No. 81 Albert Road—RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant of this allotment for the rent to be reduced to 10s per annum be not granted.

8—Untidy Allotments—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the tenant of Allotment No. 23 Asquith Road, which Mr. Clarkson reported was in a bad state of cultivation.

J. F. WARD,

Chairman.

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PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 14th November, 1932. Present—Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, Waite and J. F. Ward (Councillor Lt.-Col Biggs in the chair).

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 to the Recreation Grounds for the ensuing year :—

Agg-Gardner ...	Councillors J. F. Ward and Waite.
Naunton Park	“ Lt.-Col. Biggs and Morris.
Whaddon Road ...	Sawyer and Councillor Waite.
Sandford Park ...	“ “ “ Selim Smith.
St. Mark's	Councillors P. T. Smith and Yarnold.

3—Bulbs—The Borough Surveyor reported that Messrs. Yates & Sons Ltd. had made a gift of 1,100 British grown bulbs for trial. RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to Messrs. Yates & Sons Ltd.

4—Pittville Gardens—Firework Display—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Gardens Superintendent estimated the cost of making good the damage to the turf caused by the Firework Display on 5th inst. at about

5—Pittville Crescent Garden--The Borough Surveyor submitted application from Mrs. Tanner for the cork oak tree in the garden opposite Scoriton, Pittville Crescent, to be thinned out and the lower

branches cut. RESOLVED, That Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs and Waite be asked to view the tree and report to the next meeting of the Committee.

6—Evesham Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted plan showing the corner of " Anlaby," grounds, Evesham Road, which the owner had offered for rounding off the corner as suggested by the Street and Highway Committee. RESOLVED, That this be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

7—Additional Recreation Ground—Councillor J. F. Ward urged the Committee to consider the provision of an additional recreation ground for the North Ward as he considered the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground was too small for the greatly increased population in the neighbourhood. RESOLVED, That a special meeting of the Committee be held on 6th December to inspect the land adjoining the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground.

C. W. BIGGS,

Chairman.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 28th November, 1932. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, P. T. Smith, Selim Smith and Waite (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

8—Greenhouse, Pittville—Read, letter of 21st inst. from the Ministry of Health that the Minister did not feel justified in sanctioning the loan for the proposed new greenhouse. The Gardens Superintendent reported that the provision of the greenhouse would enable him to provide plants for the decoration of the Town Hall and Baths etc., thereby saving expenditure which last year amounted to 29, and would also save in addition the loss of a large number of seedlings required for the Parks etc. Over 12,000 seedlings perished last year owing to lack of accommodation. RESOLVED, That under these circumstances the Council be recommended to proceed with the erection of the greenhouse and charge the cost to revenue, and that the tender of Mr. W. H. Bowd of £459 17s. 8d. be accepted subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

9—Pittville Crescent Garden—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs and Waite, That the cork oak tree in this garden opposite Scoriton be removed.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

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ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 18th November, 1932. Present—The Mayor; Councillors Dr. Hayward and Weech ; and Messrs. F. B. de Sausmarez and C. R. Mapp (The Mayor in the chair).

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

2—Curator's Report for September and October—Visits-8,426 (against 7,162).

Receipts—Catalogues, "Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund," etc., £186 0s. 11d. (including £177 as grant from the Carnegie United Kingdom Trustees).

Exhibitions—The 13th Annual Exhibition by the Cheltenham Group of Artists had been on view from 22nd September to 24th October, and work by the School of Arts and Crafts from 27th October to 16th November.

Museum Reorganisation—Dr. F. A. Bather, F.R.S. had inspected this work on the 25th and 26th October on behalf of the Carnegie United Kingdom Trustees.

Annual Report—Copies of this Report for the year 1931-32 had been sent to all donors and others interested.

Cheltenham, Graphic—By courtesy of the proprietors a series of illustrations of objects in the Museum was appearing weekly.

South-Western Group of Museums and Art Galleries—The Curator had attended a meeting at Wells on the 26th October: Expense £16.

Offer of picture by Sir. Ball Dodson—The Curator had visited Brighton and selected pictures in order of preference, Mr. Ball Dodson to communicate his decision later. Expense 19s 3d.

Pendant Lights—RESOLVED, That two lights in the Armoury be replaced at a cost of £2 10s. 0d.

Gloucestershire Bygones—The Curator had purchased an old Wooden Plough at a cost of 15s.

3—Donations—From Miss E. Maude Bubb, 7 pieces of Roman glass, 2 ancient Mirrors, geological specimens, two thimbles late 18th century, six enamel patch-boxes, lantern, etc. ; Mr. A Perrin Dixon, piece of daub and wattle panelling, c.1430 ; Miss E. N. Fergusson, Kaffir pillow, dish and spoon ; Hereford Museum, one pair of wooden Hames, one wooden Cheese Vat ; Mr. H. W. A. Kilgour, Reprint of " The Times," November 7th, 1805 ; Mrs. Vernon Smith, portfolio of 93 water-colours by Admiral James Stoddart (1813-1892) ; The Mayor, Wax impressions of seals, Visconti's Roman Republican Iconography ; Dr. Oliver H. Wild, porcelain plaque with view of Cheltenham Rotunda, c1830.

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

4—Loans—From Mr. A. Perrin Dixon, Cranium and Antlers of *Cervus giganteus*, the Giant Fallow Deer of the Neolithic Age ; Sir Herbert Cuming, Head of Indian Buffalo, and Tusks of Elephant.

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

5—Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund—RESOLVED, (a) That a Pill-making Machine, as used in Cheltenham about 1840, offered at a cost of 30s, be not purchased.

(b) That the carved Victorian coat-of-arms used over the shop of Messrs. Silk & Son at 430, High Street be purchased at a cost of £3 3s. 0d.

6—Exhibitions—RESOLVED, That the Curator be authorised to arrange for the following Exhibitions :—

(a) Photographic Exhibition for one week, 26th November-3rd December.

(b) Cotswold Art Club, 9th January-4th February, 1933.

(c) New Group, 22nd April-27th May, 1933.

7—Practising School—Correspondence with Mr. H. J. Norris with regard to a suggested Exhibition of Art and Handwork by the Practising School was read. RESOLVED, That on the advice of the Education Committee, facilities be made available for an exhibition by all the schools, but not by one individual school.

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8—Offer of Insect Cabinet—RESOLVED, That the offer of an Insect Cabinet at a cost of £30 be declined.

9—Rodin Sculptures—RESOLVED, That a decision on the offered loan of two pieces of sculpture be deferred, the Curator to obtain further particulars as to the cost of transport, insurance, etc.

10—Christmas Holidays—RESOLVED, That the Art Gallery and Museum be closed on Monday, December 26th, and open on Tuesday, December 27th.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 21st November, 1932. Present—Councillors The Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Scott Langley, E. L. Ward and Yarnold.

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

R. OWEN SEACOME.

Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 25th November, 1932. Present—Councillors Morris, Selim Smith and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

2—Superintendent's Report --Read, Report of the Superintendent for the period from 21st October to 25th November, 1932. Interments 40 ; Grave Spaces sold 11 (First Position 2, Second Position 3, Fourth Position 6) ; Memorials erected 12; New Inscriptions 6.

3—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8665 to 8684.

4—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following Designs be approved :—Cross, Bases and Kerbing to graves of Elizabeth Crosbie, Henry Edmund Heynes and Elizabeth Heynes, and Arthur Bell Williams ; Headpiece and Kerbing to graves of Jesse Albert William Houghton, Eleanor Constance Elizabeth

Pemberton, Andrew Smith, Selina Jane Smith and Selina Jane Smith (daughter), and Sarah Babbage ; Scroll and Kerbing to grave of Annie Sarah Carr and Florence Louie Carr; Kerbing and Posts to graves of Otto Schlachter, Amy Gertrude Longman, and Kathleen Freda Martin ; Granite Ledger to grave of Laurence Mercer ; Kerbing to graves of David Edmund William Leighton, Percy Harry King and Emily Drew.

5—Land at Cemetery—The Town Clerk reported that Mrs. Webb had now agreed to accept the sum of £2 for compensation for the trees, and had given up the land.

6—Trees—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to remove the two sycamore trees on the footpath adjoining Section L.

7—Theft of Flowers—The Superintendent reported that a man was found taking flowers off a grave in the Cemetery. RESOLVED, That the matter be referred to Supt. Wayman to take what action he considers necessary.

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

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WINTER GARDEN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 28th October, 1932. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Moore; Councillors Lipson, Pruen, Waite, J. F. Ward and Weech ; Dr. J. Howell and Mr. E. Baring (Councillor Weech in the chair).

1—Mr. J. R. Wilkins and Mr. Frank Durrant attended with their Solicitors, Messrs. McLaren and Jeens, to discuss the terms of the draft Agreement.

RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to approve the Agreement as now settled.

The following is a summary of the principal alterations in the draft Agreement, a copy of which was sent to each member of the Council and approved at their Meeting on the 4th July last :—

(1) The cost of the building is now estimated at £100,000 and the Agreement provides as before, that the Company shall not go to allotment unless the minimum subscription of £100,000 of the share capital has been applied for to be paid in cash.

(2) A period of six months is to be allowed for demolition of the present building as provided for in the original draft and the building is to be completed within 18 months from the date of entry for the purpose of demolition and the Company are to expend thereon in the cost price of materials and labour alone the sum of £60,000 at least and produce vouchers for such expenditure

(3) A sum of £25,000 is to be deposited with the Corporation to bear interest at 3i per cent. before the demolition of the building is commenced.

(4) When, in the opinion of the Architect the value of the work executed on the new building amounts to the sum of £25,000, the Company are to be entitled to payment of instalments out of

the deposit of £25,000 in respect of all additional works executed, at the rate of 80 per cent. of the value of such additional works as certified by the Architect and on completion of the building the balance of the deposit is to be paid to the Company.

(5) The building is not, without the consent of the Corporation, to be used for any trade or business other than that of a skating rink, swimming bath, restaurant, cafe, and for providing entertainments, sports, shows, games, dances, exhibitions and holding of Meetings and Conferences provided that the use of the premises for dances shall be restricted to the Palm Court and Restaurant.

(6) The Company are not to use or permit the premises to be used for entertainments, shows and exhibitions which are not of a high class or which would cause any nuisance or annoyance to the occupiers of adjacent or neighbouring properties or prejudicially affect the amenities of the neighbourhood.

(7) The Company are not to use or permit to be used the demised premises or any part thereof on Sundays, Christmas Day and Good Friday without the previous written consent of the Landlords PROVIDED THAT such consent shall not be required for the use of the demised premises or any part thereof for any purpose authorised by a licence obtained by the Tenants from the Justices or other competent authority, nor to the use of the demised premises after 2 p.m. for skating or swimming or squash racquets by members of any Club established thereat.

[CONFIRMED BY TOWN COUNCIL ON 31ST OCTOBER, 1932].

W. N. WEECH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 1st December, 1932. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Lipson, Waite and Weech; Mr. E. Baring and Dr. Howell.

2—Chairman--RESOLVED, That Councillor Weech be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

3—Architect—The Town Clerk reported that he had ascertained that the scale charge for the supervision of the building by an Architect on behalf of the Corporation was £1 1s. 0d. per cent. up to £20,000 and 4 guinea per cent. on the remainder which for a building costing £100,000 would amount to 600 guineas, and the Architect would be justified in charging an additional fee for certifying for advances out of the deposit of £25,000 and also for advising on the plans. He had ascertained that Mr. Overbury was willing to undertake the work of supervision including certificates for payments out of the deposit money for the sum of 600 guineas and would also advise as to the plans and specification for the sum of 25 guineas to be merged in the 600 guineas if the work is carried out. RESOLVED. That the Council be recommended to engage Mr. T. Overbury as their Architect on these terms and that he be instructed to advise and report with regard to the plans and specification submitted, and that a Special Meeting of the Council be held to approve of the plans and specification as soon as these have been reported upon by Mr. Overbury.

4—Model—RESOLVED, That Cavendish House Co. Ltd. be asked to exhibit in their window the scale model of the building made by Mr. D. Smith of the Borough Surveyor's Department and that Mr. Smith be paid £5 5s. 0d. for making the model.

5—Lease—Read, letter from Messrs. McLaren & Jeens that their Clients required a proviso to Clause 3 of the lease that no building other than the existing band stand shall be permitted to be erected on any part of the land in front of the building. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

W. N. WEECH,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 17th November, 1932. Present—Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Curling Hayward, Thomas, Weech and Yarnold; Rev. Barbara Thomas ; Dr R. Davies ; Messrs. H. J. Norris, E. C. Rogers and F. Vernall.

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

2—**Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That the Chairman, Councillor Rev. de Courcy-Ireland and Mr. H. J. Norris be appointed the Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

3—Librarian's Report for September and October—Receipts-£30 5s. 2d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 12,521 (last year 11,447) ; Lending Department 33,198 (last year 37,311) ; Junior Department 5,756 (last year 7,277), Total for the two months 51,475 (last year 56,035). The Library was open 52 days this year against 53 days last year.

Binding and Replacements—During the two months 114 volumes had been dispatched to the Binder, and 325 volumes returned and placed in circulation. 31 volumes had been replaced.

Lectures—The following lectures had taken place in the Art Gallery :—

October 3rd W. C. Costin, "Travels in China in 1931 and 1932." (Attendance 255).

October 14th . Mr. R. R. Tomlinson, " Design in Schools." (Attendance 163).

October 17th Rev. W. E. Beck, "A Doctor of the First Century, A.D., and his Note Book." (Attendance 243)

October 20th . Mr. T. Savory, " Some Aspects of the study of Spiders." (Attendance 55).

October 24th ... Sir Maurice and Lady Abbot-Anderson, "The Beauties of the Countryside." (Attendance 275).

October 31st ... Rev. G. Ernest Braham, "Basic Facts of the Faith." (Attendance 152).

November 7th .., Miss Edith J. F. Giles, " Charlotte Bronte." (Attendance 307).

November 16th ... Mr. J. Cecil Maby, "The interaction of mind and body." (Attendance 38).

Annual Report—Copies of this Report for the year 1931-32 had been sent to all donors and others interested.

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4—Donations—Anonymous (2 vols.) ; Rev. J. H. Best (1 vol.) ; Mr. Ed. J. Burrow (10 vols.) ; Messrs. Ed. J. Burrow & Co. (18 pamphs.) ; Mr. A. J. Davis (1 pamph.) ; Mr. E. Courtney Gardner (1 vol.) ; Miss Hume (6 vols.) ; Sec. of State for India in Council (1 vol.) ; Consul-General for Japan (1 vol.) ; Lieut.-Col. A. H. Lane (1 vol.) The Librarian, Cheltenham Public Library (1 vol.) ; Merchant Venturers' Technical College (1 vol.) ; Theosophical Society (1 vol.) ; Mrs. Trye (1 map) ; The Mayor (1s vols.) ; and Councillor Weech (1 vol.).

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

5—Electric Lights—The Librarian reported as to the fall of one of these fittings in the Reference Library. RESOLVED, That the flexibles of 42 lamps, and the pendant in the Entrance Hall, be replaced at an approximate cost of £11 8s. 0d. RESOLVED further, That the flexibles be inspected by an electrician annually.

6—Co-operation with County Library—The Librarian reported that a cheque for £5 1s. 6d. had been received from the County Library in respect of the first six months' working of the scheme of co-operation as regards readers from Charlton Kings. RESOLVED, That this sum be spent on books for the Junior Library,

7—Books—RESOLVED, (a) That 178 volumes, published at £68 2s. 6d., be purchased for £40 16s. 5d.

(b) That 5 volumes, published at £15 12s. 0d. be purchased for £6 13s. 9d. out of the Leslie Young Bequest.

(c) That the sum of £40 be spent on Binding.

(d) That the sum of £15 be spent on Replacements.

8—Leslie Young Bequest—RESOLVED, That 18 vols. be purchased out of this Fund at a cost of £39 13s. 4d.

9—Books on Spiritualism—RESOLVED, That the offer of ten books on Spiritualism from Miss E. Maude Bubb be accepted with thanks.

10—Periodicals—RESOLVED, That the following periodicals be added to those taken :—

(a) "Downside Review," quarterly, 10s 10d per annum.

(b) "The White Ribbon," monthly, gratis.

(c) "Birth Control News," monthly, gratis.

11—Inter-availability of Library Tickets—RESOLVED, That registered readers at Ealing Public Libraries be allowed facilities at this library in exchange for facilities being extended to Cheltenham readers in Ealing.

12—Lectures—The Librarian reported as to his arrangements for lectures during the period January to March, 1933, which were approved.

13—Vulcan Boiler Insurance—Read, letter from the Vulcan Boiler and General Insurance Co. calling attention to the fact that the pipes and radiators were not covered by the present policy, and suggesting a further premium of £3 19s. 3d. per annum. RESOLVED, That this matter be left in the hands of the Chairman and the Librarian with power to act.

14—Christmas Holidays—RESOLVED, That the Libraries and Newsroom be closed on Monday and Tuesday, 26th and 27th December.

15—Date of Next Meeting—RESOLVED, on the proposition of Councillor Weech, That the next Meeting of the Committee be held on 5th January, 1933.

H. W. THOMAS,

Chairman.

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RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 21st November, 1932. Present—Alderman Moore; Councillors Scott Langley, Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold.

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

R. OWEN SEACOME,

Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 28th November, 1932. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Scott Langley, Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

2—Proposals—The Committee considered the proposals submitted by the Rating and Valuation Officers. RESOLVED, That these be submitted for the revision of Assessments as now settled by the Committee.

3—Unpaid Rates—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 applied for, but in some cases to be suspended whilst weekly instalments, as now settled by the Committee were regularly paid.

4—Second Valuation—Lansdown Road—The Chairman submitted memorial from owners and occupiers in Lansdown Road in regard to the second valuation. RESOLVED, That the memorial be considered when the valuations of the properties in this road are made by the Committee.

P. P. TAYLOR, Chairman

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 21st November, 1932. Present—Alderman Moore ; Councillors Scott Langley, Waite and E. L. Ward.

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

R. OWEN SEACOME,

Town Clerk.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 29th November, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor; Councillors Leigh James, Miller, Waite and E. L. Ward (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

2—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 29th inst., on the collection of the Second Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £23,368. Leaving outstanding £84,691.

3—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 26th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ended 31st March, 1933. Amount collected £5,856. Leaving outstanding £14,965.

4—**Accounts Rota Committee**—Reported Meeting on 29th inst. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Leigh James and Miller (The Deputy Mayor in the chair). The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

5—Loans—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £1,875 on loan. RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

(b) Renewals—RESOLVED, That the terms proposed for the renewal of Debentures amounting to £15,000 be approved and the Debentures endorsed accordingly.

(c) RESOLVED, That in future Debentures be issued on account of general loans instead of in respect of specific loans as hitherto.

6—Internal Audit—Read, Report of the Internal Audit dated the 28th inst

7—Superannuation—(a) Read, letter of 3rd inst. from the Ministry of Health approving of the designation of the six posts to be filled by the six charge engineers in consequence of the closing of the Electricity Works, and the post of Masseuse at Medical Baths.

(b) H. W. Holder, Sweeper—It was reported that this man was incapacitated with rheumatism. RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Street and Highway Committee, that he be paid a pension of 11s per week calculated on his wages for the last five years on a non-contributory basis of 32 years' service, together with a refund of his contributions amounting to £42 7s. 7d.

(c) W. Clarke, Ganger—The doctor's certificate that this man was unfit for work was submitted. RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Street and Highway Committee, that he be paid a pension of 16s 8d. per week calculated on his wages for the last five years on a non-contributory basis of 38 years' service,

8—Housing Bonds—The Town Clerk submitted memorandum from the Ministry of Health reducing the rate of interest on Housing Bonds to 3 ½ per cent. as from the 31st ult.

9—Private Improvement Expenses-5 Brighton Road—The Town Clerk reported that the sums of £21 5s. 9d. with interest at the rate of 5 per cent. was due in respect of this property for Private Improvement Works carried out by the Corporation. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Section 106 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, Mr. W. Fitzroy Fowles be appointed Receiver of the rents of 5 Brighton Road, and that the Common Seal be affixed to a copy of this Resolution.

10—Allotments—The Borough Treasurer reported that there was a surplus of £284 3s. 0d. on the Allotments Revenue Account derived chiefly from the War Allotments and the change in the Accounting System initiated by the District Auditor, and submitted Memorandum and Statement showing how the amount had accumulated. RESOLVED, That this sum be transferred to the General Rate Account.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Cheltenham.

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 29th December, 1932.

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 January, 1933, 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 Meetings held December 5th and 19th.

2. Communications by the Mayor.

3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE and to accept estimate for alteration and reconstruction of property in Duke Street ; and to pass resolution applying for loan for construction of new roads at St. Mark's Housing Estate in accordance with revised layout plan ; and to consider offer for 44 Shakespeare Road and 80 Kipling Road.

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 RATING COMMITTEE
FINANCE COMMITTEE

4. DELANCEY HOSPITAL-To appoint a Representative Trustee to fill vacancy caused by expiration of term of office of Councillor E. L. Ward.

5. To appoint a Film Censor.

6. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

Yours faithfully,

To each Member of the Council.

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, 6 duly convened and held at the Municipal Offices in the said Borough, on Monday, 5th December, 1932, at 3 p.m.

Present :

The Mayor (Councillor Capt. Trye, C.B.E.) in the chair.

The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P.).

Aldermen Margrett, C.B.E., Moore, Pates, Sawyer and Clara F. Winterbotham, J.P. ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, O.B.E., Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, M.A.. Dr. Hayward, M. B.E., M.B., B.S., Scott Langley, Lipson, MA., Miller, Morris. Pruen, P. T. Smith, Selim Smith, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Weech, M.A. and Yarnold.

Apology—An Apology for absence was received from Councillor Leigh James.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting--Resolved, That the Minutes of the Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 9th November. 1932. 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.

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2—Proceedings of Committees-Resolved, That the proceedings respectively mentioned Committees at their Meetings held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed :—

Public Health .. Meeting held November 14

Housing Meetings held November 17 & 30

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Pruen and seconded by Councillor Miller : " That Minute No. 11 be not approved " was lost.

SALE OF HOUSES—With reference to Minute No. 4 (b), the Town Clerk submitted amended offer from Messrs. G. H. Bayley & Sons to purchase thirteen houses in Brooklyn, Shakespeare and Kipling Roads for the sum of £6,550 subject to payment of the usual agency commission, together with valuation of the District Valuer. Resolved, That this revised offer be referred to the Housing Committee for consideration and report.

SLUM CLEARANCE—The Town Clerk submitted letter from Messrs. Tayler, Fletcher and Villar offering to sell the land known as Alstone Lawn containing 7 a. 0 r. 26 p. for £3,200 subject to existing allotment tenancies, the Corporation to pay Vendors' Surveyor's and Solicitor's costs. Resolved, That this offer be accepted and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a Loan of £3,360 for the cost of the land, including stamp duty on Conveyance, Vendors' Surveyors and Solicitors costs and compensation to allotment tenants.

ST. MARK'S HOUSING ESTATE—The Town Clerk submitted offer from Montagu Holmes & Sons for the purchase of the remaining shop sites at St. Mark's, having a frontage of about 307 feet at the price of £3 3s. 0d. per foot frontage, together with valuation of the District Valuer. The Purchasers were willing to comply with the conditions laid down by the Council in regard to the erection of shops. 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 consent to the sale.

Street and Highway Meeting held November 21

Maternity and Child Welfare Meeting held November 21

Town Planning Meeting held November 24

Town Improvement and Spa ... Meetings held November 18 & 23

(An Amendment moved by Councillor P. T. Smith and seconded by Councillor Miller: " That Minute No. 4 (b) be not approved " was lost.)

Electricity and Lighting ... Meetings held November 21 & 28

Water Meeting held November 15

Resolved, also, That the tender of Amos Wilson & Sons for construction of Filter Tanks at Tewkesbury Waterworks be accepted, subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.)

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General Purposes and Watch Meeting held November 22

(An Amendment with reference to Minute No. 19 : "That it be an instruction to the Committee to submit a Scheme for the division of the Borough into 9 wards " was withdrawn.)

Parks and Recreation Grounds ... Meetings held November 14 & 28

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Pruen and seconded by Councillor Yarnold : " That consideration of Minute No. 8 be deferred until the estimates for next year were prepared " was lost).

Allotments Meeting held November 14

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held November 18

Burial Board Meetings held November 21 & 25

Winter Garden Development Meeting held December 1

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Scott Langley seconded by Councillor Col. Biggs: " That Minute No. 3 be referred back " was lost.)

Public Library Meeting held November 17

Rating Meetings held November 21 & 28

Finance Meetings held November 21 & 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, and such additional sums as may become payable during the month in respect of current Contracts upon the Certificate of the Architect or Officer under whom the work is carried out.

3—Standing Orders—Resolved, That Standing Order No. 37 be amended to provide that the Mayor shall not be an ex-Officio Member of the Rating Committee.

4—Allotments Committee—Resolved, That Mr. A. C. Castle be appointed a Member of the Allotments Committee as representing the interests of allotment occupiers, in place of Mr. C. H. Tandy resigned.

J. H. TRYE, Mayor

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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, 19th December, 1932, at 3 p.m. Present

The Mayor Councillor Captain John Henry Trye, C.B.E., R.N.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P.).

Aldermen Moore. Margrett, C.B.E., C.A., Pates, Sawyer and Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P., Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, O.B.E., Dr. Hayward, M.B.E., M.B., B.S., Leigh James, Lipson, M.A., Miller, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Selim Smith, Thomas, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Weech, M.A., and Yarnold.

Apologies—Apologies for absence were received from Councillors the Rev. de Courcy-Ireland and Morris.

5—Proceedings of Committee—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Housing Committee at their meeting held on 16th December be approved and confirmed. (An Amendment moved by the Deputy Mayor and seconded by Alderman Moore : That the offer of Messrs. G. H. Bayley & Sons to purchase 13 houses for the sum of £6,550 be accepted " was lost).

6--New Houses, St. Mark's—Alderman Pates reported the proceedings of the Housing Committee at their meeting held that day. It was Resolved that the Council go into Committee for the consideration of the matter, and on resuming open Council main, it was Resolved, That the tender of Mr. A. Bowd of £3,434 for five pairs of houses be accepted subject to contract being entered into and to his providing a guarantee Bond and to sanction to loan being obtained, failing this, that fresh tenders be invited without limiting these to local builders, also that application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to loan of £3,657 for cost of houses including architects' fees and contingences, also for sanction to loan for construction of roads etc. and sewers in accordance with revised layout plan as approved by the Committee.

7 —Christmas Day—Omnibus Service-It was moved by Councillor Pruen and seconded by Councillor Weech, and Resolved, unanimously, That this Council earnestly hopes that the Cheltenham District Traction Company will not deem it necessary to run their omnibuses on Christmas Day, and that this resolution be communicated to the Local Manager of the Company and Sir Joseph Nall.

J. H. TRYE, 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, 2nd January, 1933.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 12th December, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Moore and Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, The Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Morris, Pruen, Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor A. S. F. Pruen in the chair).

1—Insanitary Property at 22 York Street—The Committee having considered the representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to this house are satisfied that the said house is occupied or is of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and is unfit for human habitation in the respect mentioned in the said official representation, and that it is capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Sub-section 1 of Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1930, notice be given to the person having control of the house requiring him to execute the works to be specified in the notice which will in the opinion of the Committee render the house fit for human habitation.

2—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) RESOLVED, That a **Standing Sub-Committee** be appointed for inspection of houses referred to them from time to time by the Committee and that the Sub-Committee consist of three members of the Committee to serve in rotation throughout the year.

(b) 352 to 370 Gloucester Road—The Committee considered official representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses. RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the above mentioned dwellinghouses are unfit for human habitation and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, notice be given under Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, to the Owners, to the person having control of the houses and Mortgagees, if any, that the condition of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or the future user of the houses will be considered at a meeting of the Committee to be held on 9th January, 1933

(c) 2 Upper Bath Street—The Committee further considered the question of making a Demolition Order in respect of these premises, and Mr. J. Holman, the Owner, attended, and the Sanitary Inspector submitted estimates for carrying out the work necessary for rendering the premises fit for human habitation. Mr. Holman stated he was willing to carry out the work including the work necessary to Nos. 3 and 4 Upper Bath Street. RESOLVED, That an Undertaking by Mr. J. Holman to carry out such works within a period of three months as will in the opinion of the Council render the premises fit for human habitation be accepted,

(d) 4 and 6 Swindon Road—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Owner of these premises had now carried out the necessary work to render the premises fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That the Undertaking given by the Owner on the 9th June last under Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, and accepted by the Council on the 25th July last be cancelled.

(e) 4 Portland Street and 1 Great Norwood Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that he had inspected the basements of these premises which did not comply with the regulations prescribed by the Corporation under the Housing Acts, RESOLVED, That the Council are satisfied that the above mentioned parts of the said buildings are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation, and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit and that notice be served upon the persons having control of the houses, Owners thereof, and mortgagees, if any, of the time and place at which the condition of the parts of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or future user thereof will be considered at a meeting of the Committee to be held on 9th January, 1933.

(f) Trent Cottage; 8a Commercial Street ; and 5a Roman Road—Mr Shenton attended in regard to the notice served of the intention to consider the making of a Demolition Order in respect of Trent Cottage, and stated that the Owner was prepared to carry out the necessary work to render the premises fit for human habitation. The Medical Officer of Health also submitted representations for the demolition of 8a Commercial Street, and closing of 5a Roman Road. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee, and that meanwhile the rota Sub-Committee be asked to inspect the properties.

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3—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :—Rowton House, Grove Street ; 15 Queen Street ; and 2 Naunton Villas—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,

4—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 1 cwt. 2 qrs. 24 lbs, Beef 1 cwt. Fish ; 2 cwt. 3 qrs. 26 lbs. Pork ; 24 lbs. Fowls.

5—Nuisances from Drains etc. at (a) 25-27 Bloomsbury Street; 2a, 3a and 4 Rutland Street ; 1-3 Cottage Place, Rutland Street ; 1-14 Station Street ; 1 and 2 Leckhampton View ; and Belle Ewart, New 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 premises 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) 1, 2 and 3 Mayfield Cottages ; 2a, 3a and 4 Rutland Street; 1-3 Cottage Place, Rutland Street; 1 and 2 Leckhampton View ; Belle Ewart, New Street ; and 1-14 Station 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 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 specified work within 28 days.

(c) 2 Bayshill Lawn—Read, letter of 26th ult. from Messrs. G. H. Bayley & Sons asking the Corporation to accept payment of EJ3 is Sd. due in respect of drainage work at these premises by 4 quarterly instalments, the first payment to be made on the 25th inst. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

6—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—RESOLVED, That the applications of E. A. Taylor of 29 Henrietta Street and G. P. Haidon of Arnwood, St. Mark's to be registered as Retail Purveyors of Milk within the Borough be granted subject to compliance with the usual conditions.

7—Hayden and Barn Farms—(a) Hayden Green Cottages—The Borough Surveyor reported that the thatched roofs of three of the cottages at Hayden Farm required rethatching, and submitted tender for carrying out the work, the total cost of which would amount to approximately £6. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have this work carried out.

(b) Greenhouse—Councillor E. L. Ward and the Borough Surveyor reported on their inspection of the greenhouse at Hayden Farmhouse, RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have this removed.

(c) **Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That the following members of the Committee be appointed the Farms Sub-Committee, and that they be asked to inspect the farms and buildings towards the end of January :—Alderman Moore ; Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, E. L. Ward and Yarnold.

(d) The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. Rymer had asked for 500 stakes for hedging. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to supply the stakes if Mr. Castle considers that these are required.

8—Public Urinal—Parish Churchyard—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had inspected this urinal and did not see any reason for abandoning this. The urinal needed a few small repairs which he proposed to carry out. RESOLVED, That this be approved, and that the urinal be not removed.

9—Park Place Resewerage Scheme—The Borough Surveyor reported that Messrs. Mark Williams & Co. had completed their contract well below the contract figure, leaving a balance of about £1,800 out of the loan of £23,561 from which balance would have to be deducted any outstanding claims for compensation. The Borough Surveyor reminded the Committee that the reconstruction of the sewer in St. Stephen's Road with the branch drain on private property estimated at £350 and several surface water drains had been omitted to keep down the cost, but these were not pressing, and might not be necessary for some years. RESOLVED, That this work be not carried out at present.

10—Factory and Workshop Act, 1901—The Sanitary Inspector submitted notice of the 8th inst., from H. M. Inspector of Factories drawing attention to defects at factory at 413 High Street. RESOLVED, That the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to serve a notice under Section 5 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, and Public Health Acts, requiring the defects to be made good.

ARTHUR S. F. PRUEN,

Chairman.

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HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 16th December, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Lipson, P. T. Smith, Mint Smith and J. F. Ward (Alderman Pates in the chair).

1—New Houses, St. Mark's-13 tenders were received for the erection of 32 three bedroom houses to be erected on a new road and cul-de-sac off Shelley Road, RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to a Special Meeting to be held on Monday next, the 19th inst.

2—Sale of Houses—The Committee considered the reference back by the Town Council of the offer of Messrs. G. H. Bayley & Sons to purchase 13 houses at St. Mark's for the sum of £6,550 subject to payment of agent's commission. The Town Clerk reported that he had written to the tenants of the 13 houses, and that the Building Society had also canvassed the tenants, but none of them were prepared to entertain a purchase at the present time. A letter was read from Messrs. Bayley & Sons that their client was willing to purchase two of the houses which the tenants were about to vacate at a pro rata price. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended not to entertain the offer.

3—Land, St. Mark's Estate—The Town Clerk reported that he had found that the Unemployed Allotments Association had, in error, taken possession of a piece of pasture land fronting Brooklyn Road instead of the arable field let to them, RESOLVED, That under the circumstances, the Council be recommended to substitute this piece of land for the arable field let to them, and that the tenancy agreement be amended accordingly.

4—St. Paul's Street South Clearance Area—Mr. Rainger submitted plans and estimates for the erection of 16 one-bedroom flats in St. Paul's Street South suitable for aged persons, and one three-

bedroom house fronting Swindon Road. He estimated that taking the cost of the site at the amount set out in the statement submitted to the Committee at their meeting on the 17th ult. the flats could be erected at an inclusive cost of £236 per flat, and the Borough Treasurer reported that, allowing for Government Subsidy of and Corporation Subsidy of £2 10s. 0d. under the Housing Act, 1930, the flats could be let at an inclusive rent of 4s per week. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to entertain this scheme, and to authorise the Committee to proceed with the negotiations for the acquisition of the land provided that the Subsidy under the Act of 1930 is still available.

5—New Houses, St. Mark's—Read, letter from the Cheltenham Electrical Development Association Circle of Electrical Contractors suggesting that the tenders for the electrical installation for the new houses should be invited by, and sent direct to the Corporation. Mr. Rainger reported that a prime cost item had already been included in the specification for the electrical installation, and it was too late to delete this.

6—St. Mark's Housing Estate—The Town Clerk submitted list of minimum prices of all the houses on the St. Mark's Housing Estate, submitted by the District Valuer, and reported that he had supplied a copy of this to the Building Society who were canvassing every tenant with a view to selling the houses to the tenants

[Note.—Minutes Nos. 1-4 were approved at Special Council Meeting on 19th December].

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 19th December, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor; Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Lipson, Selim Smith, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Pates in the chair)

7—New Houses, St. Mark's—(a) The Committee further considered the tenders received for the erection of 32 houses at St. Mark's. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to accept Mr. Bowd's tender of £3,434 for the erection of five pairs of houses subject to his providing Guarantee Bond of an Approved Assurance Co. for due performance of the Contract.

(b) Layout—Mr. Rainger submitted revised layout. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

[Confirmed at Special Town Council Meeting on 19th December, 1932]

J. P. PATES.

Chairman.

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STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE,

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 19th December, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Lipson, Thomas and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair)

1—Coal Supplies from Non-Pony Pits—Read, circular from the Pit Ponies Protection Society, asking that the Corporation should obtain their supplies of coal from mines at which no horses or ponies are employed below ground. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

2—Railway Wagons—RESOLVED, That the usual commuted annual payment of 1s per wagon be made to the Railway Clearing House in lieu of Shunting and Siding Rent charges on wagons stopped for repairs.

3—Clarence Street—Read, letter from the Head Postmaster that he would give instructions for the Post Office vans to enter Post Office Lane by way of Clarence Street and leave by way of Crescent Terrace.

4—Projecting Signs—(a) RESOLVED, That the applications of Messrs. Hawley & Chipp and Bloodworth & Son for permission to fix projecting signs at 83 Winchcomb Street and 7 and 8 Albion Street respectively be not granted.

(b) RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham District Gas Company for permission to erect four flood lighting lamps on the premises opposite their offices in North Street, projecting over the footpath, be granted subject to the usual conditions.

3—Surveyor's Salary and Travelling Expenses—Read, letter of 12th inst. from the Ministry of Transport, giving particulars of the revised terms of the grant to be made under Section 17 (2) of the Ministry of Transport Act, 1919 towards the Borough Surveyor's salary and travelling expenses. The grant would be made on an assumed salary of £324, no allowance would be made for the chauffeur's wages, but depreciation would be allowed in respect of the motor car. If the Council agreed to these proposals, the Ministry asked to be formally notified that the Council agreed to regard the notice of termination of the agreement as withdrawn as a new form of agreement would then be unnecessary. RESOLVED, That the Council agree to the revised proposals, and to the withdrawal of the notice.

6—View Meeting—The Mayor attended the View Meeting held on Wednesday, 14th December, 1932. He recommended as follows:-

(a) St. George's Road—That Mr. A. T. Attwood's application for the removal of tree outside " Hope Dene " be not acceded to.

(b) Overton Road—That Captain F. K. Foster's application for removal of some of the trees between "Alit Dinas" and Christ Church be adjourned, and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to mark certain trees which it is proposed to remove.

(c) Tennyson Road--That the Housing Committee's recommendation to remove tree at corner of Shakespeare Road be not approved.

(d) Albany Road—That Mr. J. Davis' application for the removal of three trees adjoining Nos. 1 to 9 Park View and three at the end of Dagmar Road be not acceded to.

(e) Trye's Road—That this road be not widened for the present.

(f) Suffolk Square—That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to plant shrubs on the property near Willoughby House and remove the boarding on railings.

(g) London Road—That Mr. C. F. Bensted's application for the removal of the tree outside Mona House be not acceded to.

(h) Hewlett Road—That Mr. H. Morris' application for removal of tree outside No. 2 St. Anne's Villas be not acceded to.

(i) North Place—That the Committee do not consider it necessary to round off the corner of St. Margaret's Road as suggested by the Electricity and Lighting Committee.

(j) Montpellier Terrace—That the Committee be recommended not to remove trees opposite 10 Montpellier Terrace, but that Mrs. Sims and General Ramsay be informed that the Committee will be prepared to reconsider the matter when Mrs. Lloyd of Canobie has thinned out the trees on her property. RESOLVED, That the recommendations be approved and adopted.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 22nd December, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; Councillors Morris and E. L. Ward ; Major Shakespeare and Mr. A. Wiggett. The County Surveyor also attended. (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.
3433	Chesmer, A.	Motor house, 23 Shakespeare Road.
3434	Barnham, Mrs. G.	Detached house, Arle Road
3435	Smith, T. W.	Detached house, Naunton Lane.
3436	Whitton, A. J.	Motor house, Bramery, Alstone Lane
3437	—	Motor house, Norwood, Leckhampton
3438	National Provincial Bank Ltd.	Conversion of house into flats, National Provincial Bank, High Street.
3439	Rowbottom, W.	Detached bungalow, Alstone Lane.
3440	Clevely, Mr. and Mrs. S. G.	Additions and alterations, Carr's Hotel, Clarence Street.
3441	McKay, Mr.	Motor house, Glendronach, Christ Church Road
3442	Tucker, H.	Alterations, Chalfort, The Park.
3443	White, A. W. J.	Additional bedroom, Longley, Whaddon Road.
3444	Winterbotham, Alderman Clara	F. Preliminary site plan for building line, Western Drive, Pittville.
3445	Reason, C. H.	Four houses, Exmouth Street.

RESOLVED, That Plan No. 3434 be approved ; That Plans Nos. 3433, 3436, 3437 and 3441 be approved subject to proper entrance crossings over the footpath being constructed to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor ; That Plans Nos. 3438, 3440, 3442 and 3443 be approved subject to the sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector ; and in the case of Plan No, 3438 to satisfactory provision being made for ash collection and for fire exits; That Plan No. 3439 be approved subject to the owner entering into an undertaking to set back the front fence to a distance of 18 feet from the centre of Alstone Lane, and give up the land without compensation if and when required for road widening, and also to the drainage to the septic tank being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector. That Plan No. 3435 be approved subject to no compensation being payable in respect of building lines on new road leading to Maida Vale and other properties ; That Plan No, 3444 be approved subject to building line being 10 ft. from existing fence ; and That Plans Nos. 3435 and 3445 be not approved,

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.
394	Cleeveley, A.	Bay windows, 1, 2 and 3 Fairhaven Cottages, London Road, Charlton Kings.
395	—	Alterations and new greenhouse, Wadleys, Ham Road, Charlton Kings.
396	—	Additions, Glenroy, Gadshill Road, Charlton Kings.
397	Bendall, A. C.	Bungalow off Kidnappers Lane, Leckhampton.
398	Bendall, H. A.	Cottage, Little Shurdington
399	Farmer, W. J.	Bungalow, Badgeworth Lane, Nr Shurdington,
400	Cooke, F. G.	Revised Plot Plan, Russell's Piece, Boddington.
401	Evans, T.	House, Russell's Piece, Boddington.
402	Stratford, E.	Bungalow, Russell's Piece, Boddington.
403	Tomkins, Mr.	Incubator, Cleevue, Evesham Road, Nr. Bishops Cleeve.
404	Cheltenham Corporation	Electricity Department Transformer Pillar, East End, Charlton Kings.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 394, 395, 396, 397, 400, 401, 403 and 404 be approved, That Plan No. 399 be approved subject to the nature of the work to be carried on in the workshops and the materials to be used being approved by the Committee, and That Plans Nos. 395 and 402 be disapproved.

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3—Contravention of Byelaws—Douro Lodge—Read, letter of 21st inst. from Mr. E. Trenouth that he was proposing submit plans for permanent brick built garages in place of the temporary building erected without approval. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

4—Stanmer House, Lypiatt Road—The Committee considered application from Messrs. Haddock and Pruen for permission to use these premises for offices if required. RESOLVED, That consent be given to this provided that no alterations are made in the appearance of the front elevation of the house.

5—Plan No. 388—A sample tile to be used in the roofing of the house proposed to be erected by Mr. R. E. Pearse at Woodmancote was submitted. RESOLVED, That the Committee consider that the use of this colour tile in country districts is undesirable, and that the same be disapproved.

6—Albert Road—Read, letter of 21st inst. from Messrs. G. H. Bayley & Sons asking for approval of increase in the density of a plot of land on the west side of Albert Road near Rothesay Mansions, RESOLVED, That the density be increased to permit two pairs of semi detached houses to be erected on this land subject to the buildings conforming to surrounding existing buildings as far as possible both in design and the materials used and to plan of elevation being approved.

7—Old Bath Road—(a) The Committee further considered the offer from Mr. F. P. Witts to give up a strip of land fronting Old Bath Road and adjoining the Chelt containing about 600 square yards subject to the Corporation building a Cotswold stone wall 3 feet high between his property and the land to be given up. The Borough Surveyor reported that he estimated the cost of building this wall at £50, but as the bank of the river was giving way it would be necessary to erect a retaining wall along the bank which he estimated would cost approximately £100. The work could be carried out by direct labour and provide employment for men out of work. RESOLVED, That Mr. Witts' offer be accepted and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have both walls erected.

(b) C. A. Smith's Appeal—Read, letter of 15th inst. from the Ministry of Health enclosing copy of an appeal received from Mr. C. A. Smith against the refusal of the Council to grant permission for the development of his land in Old Bath Road which had been scheduled for the Southern bye-pass, and asking for the Council's observations thereon. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to submit the observations of the Committee.

8—Building and Improvement Lines—Evesham Road—The Town Clerk submitted the plans of the Building and Improvement Lines along this road prescribed by the County Council on the 26th October last.

9—New Roads—The Borough Surveyor reported on the suggestions made by the Rev. E. C. Wilson for the provision in the Scheme for certain new roads. RESOLVED, That the Committee do not think these additional roads are required.

10—Town and Country Planning Act, 1932—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit a report as to the remodelling of the Town Planning Scheme under the provisions of this Act which comes into operation on the 1st April next.

11—Petrol Filling Station, Evesham Road—The County Surveyor submitted application made to the County Council by Mr. L. J. Powers for permission to construct a petrol filling station fronting this road near Bishops Cleeve. The Town Planning Assistant reported that the site of the proposed filling station was included in an area scheduled for residential purposes, and there was another filling station within a short distance, RESOLVED, That the application be not granted.

12—Seven Springs—The Committee further considered application from Messrs. McLaren and Jeens for permission to erect two bungalows, pig sties, poultry house and petrol filling station on land fronting Cirencester Road, part of the Seven Springs Estate, together with the observations of the Gloucestershire County Council and the Cheltenham Rural District Council thereon. RESOLVED, That Messrs. McLaren and Jeens be informed that from the information given as to the proposals there appears to be no objection thereto, but this Committee cannot give their definite approval until the plans have been submitted.

13—Bishops Cleeve Dog Racing Track--Read, letter of 18th inst., from the Bishops Cleeve Community Council protesting against the proposal to construct a dog racing track at Bishops Cleeve, and asking the Committee to disapprove of such erection RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned until plans are submitted.

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14—Elevations of Buildings—Read, letter of 14th inst., from the Gloucestershire Branch of the Council for the Preservation of Rural England that they had appointed Col. H. E. Gogerety, C. M.G., D.S.O. and Mr. C. M. Gear as their representatives on the Advisory Committee to consider any plans referred to them, and they had invited the Gloucestershire Architectural Association also to appoint a representative.

15—Church Road, Leckhampton—Read, application from Mr. H. White for permission to use his house, Ashfield, for a news agency business. RESOLVED, That the application be granted for a period of one year subject to no placards and advertisements being displayed on the outside of the premises on Sundays and after 1 p.m. on weekdays.

16—Leckhampton Road—Read, letter of 14th inst., from the Ministry of Health that the Minister had considered the appeal made by Mr. J. Ivelaw Chapman against the refusal of the Council to permit the development of his land abutting on this road and that it appeared to the Minister that the appellant would suffer serious and immediate loss if permission is not granted and in view of the provision of Section 10 of the Town Planning Act, 1925, which precludes a claim for compensation being made until the Scheme was completed, the Minister felt he would not be justified in refusing permission for the proposed development unless an equitable settlement was made with the applicant by the Local Authorities concerned and the Minister proposed to defer for a short time his formal decision on the appeal, in order that the Council, in connection with the County Council, might have an opportunity of arriving at an agreement. The whole of the land in question was outside the Borough and the Town Clerk reported that he had furnished the County Council with the necessary information to enable them to consider the matter.

17—Andover Lodge, Park Place—Read, letter of 7th inst., from Messrs. Engall Cox & Co., stating that their Client was considering the purchase and demolition of this property, and the erection on the site of Workshop and Garages and asking whether these would be approved, and whether the building line could be modified to permit the full development of the site. RESOLVED, That they be informed that the Committee cannot agree to any modification of the building line but that they were prepared to consider plans for the conversion of the premises provided such plans included provision for the improvement of the corner at Suffolk Road and Park Place.

18—Plan No. 380—Read, letter of 21st inst., from Mr. H. A. Bendall in connection with the disapproval of the elevation of the bungalow erected in Shurdington for Mrs. Tanner. Mrs. Tanner was now prepared to alter the colour of the chimney stacks to tone with the exterior walls and to remove the ornamentation of the gables. RESOLVED, That Mr. Bendall be informed that the Committee are prepared to give their approval when this work has been carried out.

19—Gloucester Road—Hoarding—Read, Memorial of 22nd inst., signed by 11 residents in Gloucester Road protesting against the hoarding erected at the Lansdown L.M. & S. Station fronting this road. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the L.M. & S. Railway Company calling their attention to the objection to this hoarding.

E. L. WARD,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 16th December, 1932. Present—Alderman Pates ; Councillor Lipson, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Selim Smith, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward and Weech ; Messrs H. W. Bennett and Dr. J. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair).

1—Medical Baths—(a) The Monthly Report of the Superintendent was submitted.

(b) Sub-Committee—RESOLVED, That a Meeting of the **Medical Baths Sub-Committee** be held in January next to discuss advertising the baths, and that Mr. H. W. Bennett be added to the Sub-Committee.

2—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Reports of the Entertainments Sub-Committee of their Meetings held on the 30th ult. and 12th inst

They recommended (inter alia) as follows :—(a) That the tender of Messrs. H. G. Norton for the provision of two urns at a cost of £2 10s. 0d. each be accepted,

(b) Concert Attendant—That the tender of Mr. Watts for the provision of an overcoat for the hall attendant at a cost of £3 12s. 6d. be accepted. (c) Montpellier Pavilion—That Miss Gwen Lewis be offered the Montpellier Pavilion for her Concert Party for the months of July, August and September at a rent of £4 per week plus lighting, except that no charge be made for the week during which the Flower Show is held.

(d) Mineral Waters—That monthly tickets for the Mineral Waters be issued at 5s each, and that the issue of the 10shalf yearly tickets be discontinued.

(e) Whitmonday Fete—That Minute No, 3 (g) passed at the meeting of the Committee on the 18th ult. be varied so as to provide for Mr. Edwards to pay a deposit of £10 forthwith and £40 before the 31st May instead of £25 on each occasion.

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

3—Montpellier Gardens—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. E. W. Beckingsale for the removal of a chestnut tree in these gardens be adjourned, and that the visitors and Councillor E. L. Ward be asked to inspect the tree.

(b) Read, letter of 30th ult. from the Chamber of Commerce asking the Council to reconsider the question of re-opening the corner gates at Montpellier Gardens. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to open the gates for a trial period of one month on the understanding that if the Committee find that serious damage is being done to the tennis courts by persons walking across these, the Committee be authorised to close the gates again.

4—British Health Resorts Association—Read, circular from this Association inviting the Corporation to subscribe and become members of the Association. RESOLVED, That the Committee do not recommend the Council to join the Association.

5—Town Hall—Conference—Read, letter of 15th inst. from the British Federation of Musical Competition Festivals that they had decided to accept the invitation of the Corporation to hold its Annual General Meeting and Conference at Cheltenham during the weekend September 22nd to 25th.

6—Alstone Baths—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Badminton Club for the use of these Baths on Monday and Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. from Thursday, 22nd December to Monday the 16th January for their Junior Club, and from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, 7th January for their Open Tournament be granted at a charge of 6s per morning as in previous years.

7—Catering—RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to purchase a third new urn at a cost of £2 10s. 0d.

8—Lectures—The Committee considered the question of arranging a further series of lectures. RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Sub-Committee be authorised to arrange terms for a series of lectures to be held during January, February and March on Thursday afternoons.

T. WILFRED WRITE.

Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 14th December, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Moore; Councillors Leigh James, Scott Langley and J. F. Ward (Alderman Moore in the chair)

1—Supply to Rural Areas—(a) Bushcombe Lane—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to make the extension to main for supplying premises in Bushcombe Lane at a total estimated cost of £101. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Transport for consent to the placing of overhead lines, and that application be made for the consents of the local authorities concerned.

(b) Mill Lane, Prestbury—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to make the extension by underground cable to supply premises in Mill Lane, Prestbury, at an estimated cost of £132 on the terms now approved by the Committee.

(c) Swindon Lane Bridge—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to an undertaking with the Great Western Railway Company in regard to the laying of electric cables over this bridge.

2—Electricity Works—Cooling Ponds, etc. ---The Chairman reported that his suggestion that the cooling ponds at the Works should be converted into open-air swimming baths had recently been considered by one of the **Education Sub-Committees**, and they had appointed representatives to confer with representatives of this Committee on the matter. RESOLVED, That this Committee approve of the proposal so far as they are concerned, and are willing for the ponds and adjoining land to be appropriated for the purposes without charge subject to the Undertaking being credited with the scrap value of the pipes in the cooling ponds, estimated at about £45-£50. RESOLVED, also, That the Chairman and Councillors Waite, E. L. Ward and J. F. Ward be appointed representatives of this Committee to discuss the matter with representatives of the Education Committee.

3—Closing of Works—(a) Read, letter of 13th inst. from the Ministry of Labour giving particulars of the information which would be required by the referee for dealing with the claims made by the displaced men. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk and the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to supply the necessary information.

(b) The Borough Electrical Engineer reported interview with the Electrical Power Engineers Association. One of the charge engineers (whose salary had been reduced) would reach the age of 65 years in January, 1934, and he thought it would be better to continue this engineer at his full salary until he reached the age of 65, when he would be superannuated, and thus avoid any claim for compensation on his account. RESOLVED, That he be paid full salary as from the date when this was reduced, and that Minute No. 1 (a) passed at the meeting of the Committee on 19th October last be varied accordingly.

4—Supply to New Gaumont Cinema—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported the terms agreed upon for the supply to the Picture House in course of erection. RESOLVED, That these be approved and the Common Seal affixed to the agreement,

5—Insurance—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted quotations for insurance against loss of profits. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk, Borough Electrical Engineer and Borough Treasurer be authorised to accept a quotation up to an amount now approved by the Committee.

6—Public Lighting—(a) The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had commenced work on the revision of the public lighting and he proposed to alter the 60 watt lamps to 100 watt lamps in Malvern, Elm, Hope, Waterloo, Worcester, Sun and Queen Streets. This would involve the erection of a control pillar at the junction of Elm Street and Tewkesbury Road, and the laying of additional connecting cables to carry the extra load. He estimated the total cost at £39 11s. 0d. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(b) London Road—Read, letter of 5th inst. from Mr. E. J. Burrow suggesting that the lamps in London Road should be shaded so that the lamps themselves were not visible to motorists. The Borough Electrical Engineer was of opinion that this would result in the lighting being deflected to a small

area on the road, and necessitate additional lamps being erected. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

7—Gas Tests—Read, reports of Gas Tests Made on the 5th and 9th insts. which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 470.4 and 471.1 B.Th.U. respectively, and the pressure 4.7 and 5.6 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 13th December, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Margrett; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Morris and Selina Smith (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days ended 12th December, 1932.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	265,000 gallons	347,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	809,000	1,143,000
Leckhampton Springs	67,000	62,000
Total	1,141,000	1,552,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	12th December, 1932.		12th December, 1931.	
Hewletts		9,864,000 gallons		24,084,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	19ft. 9ins.	43,745,000 "	31ft. 3ins.	96,072,000
Leckhampton	10ft. 0ins,	1,350,000	12ft. 0ins.	1,620,000
Total Storage		54,959,000		121,776,000

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

3—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered, and the rates settled and adjusted.

4—British Standards Institution—The Borough Engineer submitted application from this Association for a contribution towards the cost of their work. RESOLVED, That the sum of £2 2s. 0d. per annum be subscribed.

5—Tewkesbury Waterworks—The Borough Engineer reported that he was reconstructing the drainage of the house at these works with cast iron pipes. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

6—Dowdeswell Reservoir—The Borough Engineer reported as to the work for preventing the slipping of the bank of the reservoir on the Dowdeswell Wood side. RESOLVED, That the Committee do not consider it is necessary to proceed with this work at the present time.

7—Fish Ladder—The Borough Engineer reported that the fish ladder had now been completed.

3—Land at Dowdeswell—Read, letter from Messrs. Rumball & Edwards, Land Agents of St. Albans, asking if the Corporation would sell Field No. 96 containing 20.6 acres part of Castle Barn Farm. RESOLVED, That a Sale be not entertained.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 20th December, 1932. Present—The Mayor; The Deputy Mayor; Aldermen Margrett, Moore, Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Renumbering of Streets—Naunton Lane and Suffolk Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that he estimated the cost of renumbering the houses in Naunton Lane at about £5. Read, also, memorial from residents in Suffolk Road, asking for this road to be renumbered. RESOLVED, That notices be served under the Town Improvement Clauses Act, 1847, requiring the occupiers in these roads to renumber their premises, and that if the notices are not complied with, the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the renumbering carried out, and that no charge be made for renumbering premises which already have a number legibly marked thereon.

2—Soup Kitchen—(a) Read, letter from the Salvation Army, thanking the Corporation for the contribution of £10.

(b) The Borough Surveyor reported that there were certain repairs necessary to the Soup Kitchen, estimated at £10 for the exterior, and £12 for the interior The Salvation Army also pointed out that there was no sanitary convenience on the premises, and the Borough Surveyor estimated the cost of providing this at £10. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to enable the members of the Committee to inspect the premises.

3—Diseases Amongst Animals—Superintendent Wayman reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

4—Fire Brigade—(a) The Captain reported that there had been no outbreak of fire since the last meeting of the Committee.

(b) Fire Engine Tyres—The Town Clerk reported that under the Road Traffic Act, 1930, it would not be necessary to change the present tyres on the fire engine to pneumatic tyres until 1940, but that the Captain of the Brigade thought it would soon be necessary to have new tyres on the front

wheels of the engine, the present tyres having been in use for over nine years. RESOLVED, That a meeting of the Sub-Committee be held at the Fire Station to inspect the engine etc.

5--Superannuation Scheme—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Town Planning Committee, that the services of Mr. H. J. Holbourn, Building Inspector, be extended for one year up to the 13th January, 1934.

6—Film Censor—Read, letter of the 6th inst., from Mrs. Potter that Major Potter regretted that he must give up this appointment owing to ill health. RESOLVED, That the Council record their thanks and appreciation of the services rendered by Major Potter as Film Censor, and their hope that he may soon be restored to health. RESOLVED, also, That consideration of the appointment of his successor be adjourned.

7—Shops Acts—(a) Read, reports of the Shops Inspector of two traders keeping open after the usual closing hours. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write cautioning the traders against any further breach of the Acts.

(b) Read, also, report of contravention of the Closing Hours on the 16th inst. by Messrs. Peacocks Ltd. of the Arcade who had previously been cautioned. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings against them for contravention of the Shops Acts.

8—Clare Street Hall and St. Luke's Schools—Read, letter of 24th ult. from the Charity Commission enclosing draft of a scheme for the administration of these charities, and asking for any observations or suggestions which the Corporation may have. RESOLVED, That the Committee have no comments to make thereon.

9— Omnibus Licences—The Town Clerk reported that from time to time there were a large number of applications made to the Traffic Commissioners for omnibus licences for excursions and tours, and he had written asking the Traffic Commissioners if a condition could be attached to the licences, requiring the omnibuses to use the Black & White Motor Coach Station or some other suitable garage as the stopping place at Cheltenham. The Commissioners did not consider they had any power to make such a condition, and suggested that the Corporation should write to each operator of excursions to Cheltenham, suggesting that they should make use of the Black & White Motor Coach Station or other suitable garage, or failing this, that the local authority should appoint stands in the public streets under Section 90 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to circularise the operators of excursions to Cheltenham as suggested by the Traffic Commissioners.

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10—Enlargement of Town Council—The Committee further considered the question of the enlargement of the membership of the Council. The Town Clerk submitted memorandum and draft petition for the division of the Borough, eight wards by dividing the South and West Wards into four Wards. (A copy of the Town Clerk's memoranda) accompanies the Minutes), RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to approve of this proposal, and that the Common Seal be affixed to a petition to be made to the Privy Council in pursuance of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1883 and 1893, and the Borough Councillors (Alteration of Numbers) Act, 1925,

11—Parking Places—(a) Imperial Square—The Committee further considered the question of parking of motor cars in Imperial Square on the occasion of dances etc., at the Town Hall, and the Town Clerk submitted particulars of the facilities for parking available at three garages in the vicinity of the Town Hall RESOLVED, That the Committee consider that the best course is to continue the engagement of a parking attendant at this parking place on the occasion of Dances etc. at the Town Hall.

(b) Montpellier Walk—Read, memorial of 14th ult. from Messrs. Rickerby, Thompson & Yeaman, signed by the owners and occupiers of premises in Montpellier Walk, requesting that the Regulations as to this parking place be varied so as to provide that no motor car shall be parked between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. instead of 12 midnight and 6 a.m. as at present. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to alter the Regulations as requested.

12—Borough Extension—(a) Prestbury—The Town Clerk reported that the question of differential rating in respect of the portion of Prestbury to be taken into the Borough was discussed at a meeting held at Gloucester which was attended by the Mayor, Councillor Pruen and himself, The County Council proposed to recommend a differential rate of 7d. in the £ to be reduced by 1d. in the £ per annum until it was extinguished, and he understood that the Prestbury Parish Council had now agreed to this. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to acquiesce in this.

(b) Charlton Kings—Read, letter from the Clerk to the Charlton Kings Urban District Council that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Councillor Martyn had been appointed to interview representatives of the Corporation upon the proposed extension so as to avoid, if possible, an appeal to the Ministry of Health. RESOLVED, That the **Borough Extension Sub-Committee** be asked to arrange a meeting with the Charlton Kings representatives.

13—Police Establishment—Agreement—The Town Clerk submitted draft agreement as approved on behalf of the County Council. This had been revised so as to transmogrify it into an entirely new form of agreement contrary to the decision of the Council that the existing form of agreement should only be modernised and extended so as to provide for contributions to the cost of reserve Constables and Headquarters Staff, etc. RESOLVED, That the Committee cannot recommend the Council to approve of the agreement as revised but consider that the form of the existing agreement should be adhered to except such alterations as may be necessary to modernise it and to cover matters not included therein.

14—Protection of Birds—Read, circular from The Royal Society for Protection of -Wild Birds asking the Council to display a number of new illustrated posters 22 ins. x 15 ins. which the Society were prepared to provide free. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to offer to display 50 posters.

15—Health and Unemployment Insurance Acts—RESOLVED, That the following be added to the Certificates of Exemption under these Acts, viz. : H. Higgins (Overhead Lines Engineer), W. L. Johnstone (Consumers Engineer), W. Ball (Public Lighting Engineer), P. H. Cox (Canvasser), F. G. Muntzer (Assistant Mains Engineer), and S. B. Frostad (Sub-Stations Inspector).

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 12th December, 1932. Present—Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, P. T. Smith and Selim Smith ; and Messrs. Castle, Clarkson and Vizard (Councillor Lt.-Col. Biggs in the chair).

1—West Ward—Visitor—RESOLVED, That Mr. A. C. Castle be appointed one of the Visitors for these allotments in place of Mr. C. H. Tandy.

2—Albert Road Allotments—Read, further letter from Mr. Morris with regard to damage by rabbits. The Borough Surveyor reported that allotment No. 70 adjoining Mr. Morris's allotment was weedy and untidy and had become a small rabbit warren. The Town Clerk reported that the rent of No. 70 was in arrear and notice had been given to the tenant of intention to take possession which would expire shortly when possession could be taken and the tenancy terminated. RESOLVED, That this be done.

3—Allotments for Unemployed—(a) Read, letter from the Secretary of the Unemployed Allotments Association asking if the Council could reduce the rent of Allotment holders now renting under the Corporation who were out of employment. RESOLVED, That the application be not acceded to.

(b) The Town Clerk reported that the Agreement with the Association included Allotment No. 43 Rainbow Piece which no longer exists, the ground having been taken into adjoining allotments, but two half chain allotments Nos. 52 and 53 were vacant and could be let instead of No. 43. RESOLVED, That these be let to the Association in place of No. 43.

(c) Mr. Castle stated that all the land let to the Association had been taken up and that the Association would be glad to have some additional land. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be authorised to let to the Association any allotments becoming vacant in Albert Road and Alma Road if there are no applicants for these on the waiting list.

4—Albert Road-49, 50 and 53a—RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant of these allotments to be released from his tenancy of Nos. 50 and 53a on the 1st January, 1933, be granted, subject to his paying the rent up to that date.

5—Creamery Piece—Complaint was received from the tenant of Allotment No. 53 of damage caused by children. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

C. W. BIGGS,

Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 6th December, 1932. Present—The Mayor ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris and J. F. Ward (Councillor J. F. Ward in the chair).

1—Additional Recreation Ground—The Committee inspected Creamery Piece Allotments, adjoining the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground. RESOLVED, That whilst the Committee do not recommend the

enlargement of the recreation ground at the present time, they consider that it would be advantageous for the Corporation to purchase the land, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to inquire the price at which Mr. Baylis would be prepared to sell the land.

J. F. WARD,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 12th December, 1932. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, P. T. Smith, Selim Smith and Yarnold (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

2—Pittville Estate—The Borough Surveyor reported that 20 surplus ducks had been sold by Mr. Castle at the Market for £1 14s. 5d.

3—Attendants Uniform—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to include in next years estimates provision of summer uniforms for the Park Custodians.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 16th December, 1932. Present—The Mayor; Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Dr. Curling Hayward, Scott Langley and Weech ; and Messrs. F. B. de Sausmarez and C. R. Matt (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair),

1—Curator's Report—Visits--3,941 (against 4,047).

Receipts—Catalogues 2s 6d.; "Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund" £3 14s. 6d.

Report by Dr. Bather, F.R.S., on the Museum Reorganisation—The Curator read extracts from Dr. Bather's report to the Joint Committee of the Carnegie Trustees and the Museums Association, in which satisfaction was expressed with the enhanced educational value of the Geological Room, and in which the honorary work of Mr. Mapp was acknowledged,

French Visitor—The Curator reported the visit of Mlle. F. Henry, Assistant Curator of the St. Germain Museum, to inspect an enamelled buckle-plate of French provenance in the Museum. RESOLVED, That the Curator's action in having two photographs taken of this buckle and like objects from the same locality for the use of Mlle. Henry be approved.

Bygones—The Curator had purchased a miniature set of Garden Tools, Georgian period, for 10s-.

2—Donations—From Lt.-Col. J. D. Blyth, Roman Lamp from Pompeii, and two Horse Pistols ; Mr. H. L. Bradbury, Gloucestershire Bushel Measure ; Mrs. Rodney Pope, two dresses c.1820.

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

3—Statue of " Carmen "—The offer as a gift from Mrs. Walsh of a marble statue of " Carmen " by P. Barzanti, of Florence, c.1895, was considered. RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Councillor Curling Hayward be asked to inspect the figure and report to the next meeting.

4—Rodin Sculpture—The Committee further considered the offer by Mr. H. Asa Thomas of Lewes of the loan for two or three years of the marble group known as " Le Baiser " by the famous French sculptor, Auguste Rodin. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to, and that the cost of transport, about £21 10s. 0d., be paid from funds In hand, plus £8 8s. 0d. annual insurance premium on a value of £8,000.

5—" Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund "—RESOLVED, That the cranium and antlers of Cervus giganteus (so-called Irish Elk) be purchased from this Fund at a cost of £30, towards which a grant had been promised by the Board of Education, per the Victoria and Albert Museum.

6—Portrait Bust—The Mayor reported receipt of a letter from the Ex-Mayor of Fulham offering for exhibition the plaster model by Mr. J. E. Hyett of a Portrait Bust of the Bishop of London, RESOLVED, That the Curator ascertain whether the offer is that of a gift or a loan.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 23rd December, 1932. Present—Councillors Scott Langley, Thomas and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of the Superintendent for the period from 26th November to 23rd December, 1932. Interments 49 ; Grave Spaces sold 13 (First Position 2, Fourth Position 11) ; Memorials erected 15; New Inscriptions 11.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8685 to 8697

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following Designs be approved ;—Cross, Bases and Kerbing to graves of William Robson, and Clara Harrison ; Headpiece and Kerbing to grave of Edward Newcombe and L. R. Newcombe ; Kerbing and Posts to grave of Amelia Mackay.

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 21st December, 1932. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillor Scott Langley (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

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

2—Unpaid Rates—Defaulters—The Committee dealt with two persons who had not paid their rates, and gave instructions for a Committal Order to be applied for in one case, and in the other case for Notice to be served on the sub-tenant, to be suspended whilst weekly instalments, as now settled by the Committee were regularly paid.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 23rd December, 1932. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Moore ; Councillors Scott Langley and Pruen (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 20th inst., on the collection of the Second Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £39,928. Leaving outstanding £68,131.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 20th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ended 31st March, 1933. Amount collected £9,385. Leaving outstanding £11,436.

3—Housing Bonds—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting £470 had been received for 3 per cent Housing Bonds and that certificates had been issued accordingly, RESOLVED, That this be approved

4—**Accounts Rota Committee**—Reported Meeting on 23rd inst. Present—The Deputy Mayor, Alderman Moore and Councillor Pruen (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

5—Loans—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £2,950 on loan, RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

(b) Renewals—RESOLVED, That the terms proposed for the renewal of Debentures etc., amounting to £15,115 be approved and the Debentures endorsed accordingly.

(c) The Borough Treasurer reported that the Co-operative Permanent Building Society were prepared to lend £10,000 for a term of 10 years with option for either party to determine the loan at the end of the fifth or seventh years on the terms now reported. RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Debenture.

(d) The Borough Treasurer reported that the Preston Shelley Assurance Society had offered to lend £5,000 for a term of 20 years on the terms now reported. RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Debenture.

6—Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants—Read, letter from this Institute asking the Committee to appoint Honorary Members of the Institute. RESOLVED, That the Chairman (the Deputy Mayor) be appointed.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

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, 2nd January, 1933, at 3 p.m. Present:

The Mayor (Councillor Capt. Trye, C.B.E.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P.).

Aldermen Margrett, C.B.E., J.P., C.A., Moore, Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P. ;
Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, O.B.E., Rev. de Courcy -Ireland, M.A., Dr. Hayward, M. B.E., M.B., B.S., Leigh James, Scott Langley, Lipson, M.A., Miller, Morris, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Selina Smith, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Weech, M.A. and Yarnold.

Apology—An Apology for absence was received from Alderman Sawyer.

Ex-Councillor Lt.-General Sir Richard Wapshare—Resolved, That the Council desire to record their deep regret at the death of Lt.-General Sir Richard Wapshare, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., who was a member of the Town Council for three years, and their sincere sympathy with Lady Wapshare in her bereavement.

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2-Minutes of Previous Meetings—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 5th December, 1932, and the Special Meeting held on the 19th December, 1932, 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 December 12

Resolved, also, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to proceed with the work in connection with the flooding prevention scheme in the College Road district, when the sanction to the loan is received.

Housing ... Meetings held December 16 & 19

Resolved, also, That the offer of Messrs. G. H. Bayley & Sons to purchase, on behalf of a client, Nos. 44 Shakespeare Road and 80 Kipling Road for £1,055, be accepted subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health, and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sale.

Resolved, also, That the tender of Mr. E. A. Eggleton for demolition and reconditioning of No. 77 Duke Street and 2 to 4 Princes Place amounting to £255 7s. 6d. (being the lowest of four tenders received) be accepted, subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into. Also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to loan of £1,730 for cost of constructing road off Shelley Road and sewers etc. in accordance with revised lay-out plan, and that Minute No. II passed at Meeting of the Committee held on 30th November last be varied accordingly.

Street and Highway Meeting held December 19

except that Minute No. 6 (e) be amended to read as follows : " That no action be taken for the present, with regard to the widening opposite the new houses."

Town Planning ... Meeting held December 22

(An Amendment moved by Councillor P. T. Smith and seconded by Councillor Morris : " That the work of the erection of the walls referred to in Minute No. 7 (a) be carried out by contract " was lost).

Town Improvement and Spa ... Meeting held December 16

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held December 14

Water Meeting held December 13

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General Purposes and Watch ... Meeting held December 20

Subject to an Amendment moved by Councillor P. T. Smith and seconded by Councillor Yarnold : " That Minute No. 11 (b) be amended, and that the hours when no motor car shall be parked in the Montpellier Walk Parking Place be between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m.

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Lipson and seconded by Councillor J. F. Ward : " That Minute No. to be not approved, and that the Borough be divided into nine wards based on the County Council Electoral Divisions thereby increasing the membership of the Council by nine Councillors and three Aldermen, and that a petition to this effect be made to the Privy Council " was lost).

Allotments Meeting held December 12

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held December 12

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held December 16

Burial Board Meeting held December 23

Rating Meeting held December 21

Finance Meeting held December 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, and such additional sums as may become payable during the month in respect of current Contracts upon the Certificate of the Architect or Officer under whom the work is carried out.

Resolved, also, That £10,609 12s. 2d., 2 ½ per cent. Consolidated Stock, sinking fund in respect of Municipal Offices loan, be sold on the terms approved by the Committee.

4—Delancey Hospital Trustees—Resolved, That Councillor E. L. Ward be appointed a Representative Trustee of the Delancey Hospital for a term of three Years expiring on the 2nd January, 1936.

5—Film Censor—Resolved, That Sir Herbert Cuming be appointed Film Censor in place of Major Potter, resigned.

J. H. TRYE. 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, 6th February, 1933.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 9th January, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Margrett ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, The Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Morris, Pruen, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor A. S. F. Pruen in the chair).

1—Insanitary Property at (a) 45 Burton Street—The Committee having considered the representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to this house are satisfied that the said house is occupied or is of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and is unfit for human habitation in the respect mentioned in the said official representation, and that it is capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Sub-section 1 of Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1930, notice be given to the person having control of the house requiring him to execute the works to be specified in the notice which will in the opinion of the Committee render the house fit for human habitation.

(b) 3a Alexander Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee on the 10th October last, the works specified to be done at these premises had been carried out to his satisfaction by Messrs. D. L. Turner & Sons at a cost of £43 5s. 0d. RESOLVED, That an Order be made under Section 18 of the Housing Act, 1930, declaring the expenses to be payable by monthly instalments of 14s 5d. within a period not exceeding five years with interest at the rate of £5 per centum per annum until the whole amount is paid.

(c) 1 Elmdale Cottages, Fairfield Parade—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee he had obtained tenders for carrying out the work required to be

done at this house, which he now submitted. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. C. T. Clark of £7 9s. 6d. (being the lowest) be accepted.

2—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-4, 5, 7 to 10, 12, 13 and 15 Nailsworth Terrace ; and 50 Burton Street—RESOLVED, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective Owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Sanitary Inspector on behalf of the Corporation.

3—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 7 cwt. 4 lbs. Beef ; 1 cwt. 3 qrs. 4 lbs. Fish ; 2 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lbs. Pork ; 3 lbs. Fowls ; 2 qrs. 4 lbs. Mutton ; 1 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lbs. Rabbits.

4—Nuisances from Drains etc. at (a) 96 and 100 Promenade—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 premises 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 Bloomsbury Street ; 2, 3a and 4 Rutland Street ; and 1 and 2 Cottage Place, Rutland Street; 96 and 100 Promenade—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 specified work within 28 days, and in the case of 96 and 100 Promenade the Sanitary Inspector be authorised to carry out the work and apportion the cost between the Owners.

(c) 15-25 Bath Parade and 6-13 Sandford Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the drainage work at these premises had now been carried out by Messrs. Amos Wilson & Son at costs of £65 8s. 0d. and £89 4s. 2d. respectively. The apportionments made by the Borough Surveyor between the Owners of the costs of the work were submitted. RESOLVED, That the same be approved, and that an Order be made under the Common Seal declaring the said expenses to be Private Improvement Expenses, and that notices of the apportionments be served on the Owners, and demands for repayment of the sum apportioned against them.

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5—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) 15 and 16 Upper Bath Street ; and 45 Russell Street—The Committee further considered the making of Demolition Orders in respect of these premises. Mr. C. E. Leat, the Owner of 15 and 16 Upper Bath Street, attended and consented to a Demolition Order being made in respect of his premises. RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the dwelling houses, which are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes are unfit for human habitation, and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and no undertaking having been given by the Owners with respect to the carrying out of works or the future user of the houses, Demolition Orders be now made by the

Council in pursuance of Sub-Section (3) of Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, requiring that the houses shall be vacated within 28 days from the date on which the Orders become operative, and that the premises shall be demolished within six weeks after the expiration of the above mentioned period, or if the houses are not vacated by that date, within six weeks after the date on which they are vacated.

(b) 113 Fairview Road (Basement) and 310 High Street (two upper floors)—The Committee further considered the making of Closing Orders in respect of these premises. Read, letter from the Owner of 310 High Street consenting to a Closing Order being made. RESOLVED, That the Council, being satisfied that these rooms of the said premises which are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are let for human habitation and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and no undertakings having been given by the Owners to carry out the works required to render the premises fit for human habitation or as to the future user of the said parts of the said buildings, Orders be now made under the Common Seal in pursuance of Section 20 of the Housing Act, 1930, prohibiting the use of the said rooms for human habitation.

(c) 4 Portland Street ; 16 Priory Terrace ; and Haddonhurst, Grosvenor Street—RESOLVED, That consideration of making Closing Orders in respect of these premises be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

(d) 1 Great Norwood Street—The Committee further considered the question of making a Closing Order in respect of the basement of these premises. Mr. F. J. Peacey, the Owner, attended and objected to the Order being made RESOLVED, That the **Rota Sub-Committee** be asked to inspect this property, and report to the next meeting of the Committee.

(e) 5a Roman Road—The Rota Sub-Committee reported their inspection of this property. RESOLVED, That the Council are satisfied that the above mentioned part of the said building is occupied or is of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and is unfit for human habitation, and is not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit and that notices under Section 20 of the Housing Act, 1930 be served upon the person having control of the house, Owner thereof, and mortgagee, if any, of the time and place at which the condition of the part of the said house and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or future user thereof will be considered at a meeting of the Committee on 13th March next.

(f) 352-370 Gloucester Road, and Trent Cottage, Gloucester Place—RESOLVED, That consideration of making Demolition Orders in respect of these premises be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee,

(g) 8a Commercial Street—The Rota Sub-Committee reported their inspection of this property. RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the above mentioned dwelling house is unfit for human habitation and is not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, notice be given under Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, to the Owner, to the person having control of the house and Mortgagee, if any, that the condition of the said house and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or the future user of the house will be considered at a meeting of the Committee to be held on 13th March next.

(h) 2a, 3a, 4, 6, 7a, 28 and 29 Rutland Street, and 1, 2 and 3 Cottage Place, Rutland Street—The Medical Officer of Health submitted representations in regard to these houses. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee, and that meanwhile the Rota Sub-Committee be asked to inspect the properties.

6—Overcrowding-1 Bubb's Cottages, York 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.

7—Tenders for Works—The Sanitary Inspector submitted list of contractors from whom tenders would be invited from time to time for work carried out by the Corporation in default of owners. RESOLVED, That this list be approved.

8—Rat Week—The Sanitary Inspector submitted his report on the Rat Week held from the 7th to 12th November last.

9—Market—Sale of Meat—Read, letter of 17th ult. from Mr. R. G. Vines stating that his meat was killed in the licensed slaughter house and inspected by the Local Authority's Officer at Upton-on-Severn, and asking that he might be allowed to retail meat at the Market. Read, also, letter from the Clerk to the Upton-on-Severn Rural District Council. RESOLVED, That the Committee adhere to their previous decision, and that Mr. Vines' application be not granted.

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10—Royal Sanitary Institute—Read, circular from this Institute inviting the attendance of delegates to the Annual Congress to be held at Blackpool from the 17th to 24th June next. RESOLVED, That the Medical Officer of Health and the Chief Sanitary Inspector be authorised to attend.

11—Tuberculosis in Sheep—The Sanitary Inspector reported that a sheep killed in Cheltenham on the 28th October last was found to be in a tuberculosis condition, which was extremely rare in this country, and he had made a report thereon to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

12—Smoke Nuisance—The Committee further considered the memorial received from residents in the neighbourhood of the Damanm Asphalte Works, complaining of the smoke nuisance, together with further report from the Sanitary Inspector thereon. RESOLVED, That representatives of the Damanm Asphalte Works be invited to attend the next meeting of this Committee to discuss the matter,

13—Health Department—A. C. Gisborne—RESOLVED, That Mr. Gisborne, Pupil in this Department, be paid the sum of 5s a week as from the 1st January to 30th September next when he hoped to obtain his qualifying certificates.

14—Factory and Workshops Acts, 1901—RESOLVED, That notice be given to the proprietress of the bakehouse at 3 Clarence Street, requiring her to discontinue the use of the underground bakehouse thereat, contrary to the provisions of this Act.

15—Swindon Place and Bubb's Cottages Clearance Areas—An official representation under the Housing Act, 1930, was submitted by the Medical Officer of Health in respect of these areas, comprising Nos. 11 to 24 Swindon Place, and 25 to 38 Swindon Passage, and Nos. 5 to 10 Swindon Place, and 4 and 5 Swindon Passage, and Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Bubb's Cottages. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to take the representation into consideration, and that the same be referred to the Housing Committee.

16—Flooding—(a) Albany Road—The Borough Surveyor reported complaints received of subsoil entering the basement of Albany Villa, and that on investigation it was found that 6 out of 9 houses in the Terrace were affected, and that in order to draw off the subsoil water from below the basements it would be necessary to lay a drain along the footpath in front of the houses, and a branch drain up to the front of each cellar. He estimated the cost of carrying out this at £30. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to have this done.

(b) College Road District—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the Ministry of Health, urging the Minister to issue his sanction to the loan of £3,000 for carrying out this flooding prevention scheme.

17—Hatherley Brook—The Borough Surveyor reported that the cost incurred in cleaning out this brook amounted to the sum of £257 17s. 0d. and that the reason for the large increase over the estimate was wholly due to the extra work which subsequently became necessary to prevent the banks from slipping,

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

ARTHUR S. F. PRUEN,

Chairman.

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HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 19th January, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Lipson, Morris, P. T. Smith and Yarnold (Alderman Pates in the chair).

1—**Selection of Tenants and Repairs and View Sub-Committee**—Read, reports of the Sub-Committee at their meetings held on 18th November, 1st December, 9th December and 6th January.

They recommended as follows :—

(a) Outbuildings --That the following outbuildings be approved : Sheds at 66, 67, 69 and 72 Hope Street, and 19 and 20 Crabtree Place That the tenant of 320 Swindon Road be required to move the Fowlhouse to the side of the garden nearest to the house ; and that the Committee should consider

the provision of a standard shed to replace unsightly sheds now erected, and also as to making a condition prohibiting the keeping of pigeons.

(b) 38 Paley Crescent—That the application of the tenant for permission to carry on a fruit and vegetable business at this house be granted subject to the business not being carried on in the house, but in a shed to be erected in a position to be approved by the Housing Manager.

(c) 40 Cleaveland Street—That the rent of this house be fixed at 8s a week.

(d) Houses occupied by only one person--That one month's notice to quit be given to the tenants of 69 Hope Street, 10 Cobham Road and 41 Elm Street, as owing to change of circumstances these are now occupied by single persons.

(e) St. Mark's Estate—That the Housing Manager be instructed to inspect periodically the interior of the houses on the St Mark's Estate to see that the tenants are carrying out their covenants to keep the premises in proper decorative order.

(f) Hudson and Manser Streets—That the tender of Messrs. Trigg Bros. of £25 17s. 0d. (being the lowest of the tenders received) for the provision of 22 gates to the passages between the blocks of houses in these streets be accepted.

(g) Transfer—That Mr. W. E. Dodwell of 52 Hudson Street be granted a transfer to a two-bedroom house subject to the Corporation being put to no expense in connection with the transfer.

(h) Arrears—The Sub-Committee at each meeting also interviewed a number of tenants who were in arrears with their rent, and gave instructions for summonses to be issued, but to be deferred so long as weekly payments, as settled by the Sub-Committee, were regularly paid. RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted, except recommendation (d), and that consideration as to giving notice to quit to single tenants be adjourned for three months.

2—Sale of Houses—(a) 2 Tennyson Road—The Town Clerk submitted offer from Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Lane to purchase this house for £370, being the price at which the house was valued by the District Valuer. RESOLVED, That the offer be accepted, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sale.

(b) RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be authorised to supply local House Agents with particulars of houses becoming vacant from time to time with a view to selling these.

3—Land at Alstone—Read, letters from the L.M.S Railway Co. that they were now prepared to sell their land at Alstone at the valuation of the District Valuer. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

4—Alstone Lawn Estate—(a) The Town Clerk reported that the Ministry of Health had sanctioned the loan for the purchase of this property

(b) New Houses—The Committee considered the erection of houses on this land, and Mr. Rainger submitted preliminary lay-out plan for 77 houses on the land excluding the frontage to Gloucester Road. RESOLVED, That this be approved and that Messrs. Rainger & Rogers be instructed to prepare

plans and specifications for the erection of 50 houses to provide accommodation for the displaced population from Swindon Passage and Swindon Place Areas and from individual unfit houses. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare plan and estimate for the construction of the road on the site.

(c) Allotments—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give 14 days' Notice to the tenants of the allotments which will be required for the road and houses, and that Mr. C. C. Castle be appointed to settle claims for compensation to tenants for loss of crops etc.

(d) Sale of Land—The Town Clerk submitted application from Mr. H. Oldacre of Kingham to purchase the corner plot of land at the junction of Gloucester Road and Alstone Lane for the erection of a house thereon. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to obtain the valuation of the District Valuer

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5—New Houses, St. Mark's—(a) IS tenders were received for the erection of 32 houses at St. Mark's Estate. RESOLVED That consideration be adjourned to enable enquiries to be made in respect of the two lowest tenders.

(b) Cement concrete blocks—Read, letter of 17th inst. from Naunton Estates Ltd., that they estimated that a saving of £987 could be made in the erection of the proposed houses if their cement concrete and breeze blocks were used instead of bricks, and offering to supply their present stock of blocks at cost price. RESOLVED, That this offer be not entertained

6-117 Tennyson Road—RESOLVED, That Messrs, Rainger & Rogers be asked to inspect and report on this house, the tenant of which complained of dry-rot and dampness.

7—St. Paul's Street South Clearance Areas—Read, letter of 5th inst. from the Ministry of Health that under the new Housing Bill the Minister would be precluded from making any subsidy contribution in respect of the proposed flats for aged persons under the Housing etc. Act, 1924. He was, however, in a position to entertain the erection of such flats under the Housing Act, 1930, where the flats were provided for the displacement of persons under a slum clearance etc. scheme. The Medical Officer of Health reported that there were a number of aged persons occupying unfit houses. RESOLVED, That the Borough Treasurer be instructed to submit an estimate showing the rents at which the flats could be let if erected under the Housing Act, 1930.

8—St. Mark's Housing Estate—(a) Sale of Land--The Town Clerk reported interview with Mr. A. F. Davis of Kilburn, London, who had visited Cheltenham with a view to building houses to let at a rent of about 10s 6d. per week, plus rates. Mr. Davis was willing to proceed with the erection of about 24 houses as a trial on a portion of the arable field fronting Brooklyn Road if the Council would agree to sell the land. RESOLVED, That Mr. Davis be informed that the Council are willing to sell the land, subject to contract, at the price valued by the District Valuer, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to obtain the valuation.

(b) Read, letter from Mr. C. C. Castle that he had let the winter keep on Field No. 395 up to March 25th next to Mr. S. Walley for the sum of £5. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

9-8 Kingsley Gardens—The Town Clerk reported that the tenant of this house had vacated the premises without formal notice as owing to unforeseen circumstances he was unable to continue his tenancy. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to relet the premises on a monthly tenancy and that the late tenant be released from his tenancy as from the date of a new tenancy.

10—Swindon Place, Swindon Passage and Bubb's Cottages Clearance Areas—The Medical Officer submitted his official representation in respect of these areas.

RESOLVED,

(a) Whereas the Council upon consideration of an official representation by their Medical Officer of Health being satisfied as respects each of the areas hereinafter mentioned.

(1) that the dwellinghouses in that area are, by reason of disrepair or sanitary defects, unfit for human habitation, or are by reason of their bad arrangement or the narrowness or bad arrangement of the streets, dangerous or injurious to the health of the inhabitants of that area, and that the other buildings in that area are for a like reason dangerous or injurious to the health of the said inhabitants ;

(2) that the most satisfactory method of dealing with the conditions in that area is the demolition of all the buildings in the area ; have caused the areas to be defined on a Map in such a manner as to exclude from the areas any building which is not unfit for human habitation or dangerous or injurious to health ;

Now the Council being also satisfied,

(i) that in so far as suitable accommodation available for persons of the working classes who will be displaced by the clearance of that area does not already exist, the Council can provide or secure the provision of such accommodation in advance of the displacements which will, from time to time, become necessary as the demolition of buildings in the area or in different parts thereof proceed;

(ii) that the resources of the Council are sufficient for the purpose of carrying the resolution into effect: do hereby in pursuance of Section 1 of the Housing Act, 1930, declare each of the said areas to be a clearance area, that is to say, an area to be cleared of all buildings in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

The Areas above referred to are ;—

(1) The area marked on the Map prepared by the Borough Surveyor and dated the 7th January, 1933, and thereon coloured pink and thereon described as "Swindon Place and Swindon Passage Clearance Area," which comprises the houses and premises known as Nos. 11 to 24 Swindon Place (both inclusive), and Nos. 25 to 38 Swindon Passage (both inclusive), including the Water Closets, wash-houses, and outbuildings belonging and appurtenant thereto

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(2) The area marked on the Map prepared by the Borough Surveyor and dated the 7th January, 1933, and thereon coloured pink and thereon described as " Swindon Place, Swindon Passage and Bubb's Cottages Clearance Area," which comprises the houses and premises known as Nos. 6 to 10

(both inclusive) Swindon Place, Nos. 4 and 5 Swindon Passage, and Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Bubb's Cottages, including the Water Closets, wash-houses, and out-buildings belonging and appurtenant thereto and including a water closet belonging or appurtenant to No. 229 High Street and two water closets belonging or appurtenant to No. 231 and 232 High Street and in common with some of the above mentioned houses.

RESOLVED, also, That the Council hereby undertake to carry out such re-housing operations within such period as the Minister of Health may consider reasonably necessary.

(b) RESOLVED, That the Council, in pursuance of Section 2 of the Housing Act, 1930, hereby make a Clearance Order in respect of each of the two areas described in the previous Resolution passed by the Council at this Meeting for the demolition of all the buildings in the said Clearance Areas and that the Common Seal be affixed to such Orders and that the Town Clerk be directed to give the prescribed advertisement and notices of such Orders and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for confirmation of the said Orders.

Census of Occupants—The Medical Officer of Health submitted statement showing that the number of persons of the working classes occupying the buildings described in the above areas was on the 10th January, 1933, 134

J. P. PATES, Chairman.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 31st January, 1933 Present—The Mayor; The Deputy Mayor Aldermen Clara Winterbotham, Moore and Pates: Councillor Col. Biggs, Dr. Hayward, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Leigh James, Morris and Yarnold (Alderman Pates in the chair),

11-Sale of Houses-64 Kipling Road—The Town Clerk reported that this house was now vacant and submitted offer from Messrs. G. H. Bayley & Sons on behalf of Mr. H. J. Broadbent to purchase the house for £520, being the price at which the house was valued by the District Valuer. RESOLVED, That the 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 consent to the sale.

12—New Houses, St. Mark's—The Town Clerk reported interview which Alderman Margrett and he had with a representative of the Ministry of Health on the 19th instant, when it was pointed out that the Minister hoped that the scheme for which provision is to be made in the Housing (Financial Provisions) Bill, 1932, will be a sufficient inducement to get houses (other than for slum clearance schemes) built by private enterprise, and he was therefore reluctant to sanction loans to local authorities for the erection of these houses. It was pointed out to the Ministry that the site was in hand, the expense of preparing plans and specifications and obtaining tenders had been incurred, and that the Corporation were anxious to put some building work in hand in view of the large number of men in the building trade out of employment, and also that the Ministry had been informed by letter of the 6th December last of the intention of the Corporation to invite tenders, and no objection had been received to this proposal.

The Chairman (Alderman Pates) and he had attended a meeting of the Cheltenham Master Builders' Association on the 25th inst. when the Minister's proposals for assisting private enterprise were explained, and he had now received a letter from the Secretary of the Association that the building

of houses of the type proposed had been considered, but that the Association saw no prospect whatever of any such building being undertaken by their members in the immediate future He had also received a letter from the Ministry of Health, that in the special circumstances the Minister would be prepared to approve of the proposal of the Council to erect the 32 houses the Minister raised no objection to the revised lay-out, but he was advised that the estimated cost of the roads and sewers were still on the high side, and he hoped that every effort would be made during the progress of the work to reduce the cost.

The Town Clerk reported the result of enquiries made in respect of the two lowest tenderers. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. Cutler & Sysum of Ledbury of £10,560 for the erection of the houses be accepted subject to contract and bond to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into, and to sanction to loan being obtained. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £11,246 for the cost of the houses, including Architects' fees and 5 per cent. for contingencies. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to proceed with the construction of the road and sewer etc. RESOLVED, also, That a Clerk of Works be engaged for supervising the work.

13-77 Duke Street and Cottages at rear—The Sanitary Inspector reported that no sum for contingencies had been provided in Mr. Eggleton's contract for the re-conditioning of these houses, but that in carrying out the work it was found that some additional work was necessary, the cost of which would amount to approximately £25. RESOLVED, That the additional work be authorised.

J. P. PATES, Chairman.

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STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 23rd January, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Lipson, Thomas and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Warning Sign—Christ Church Road—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have a "Dead Slow " sign painted in Christ Church Road near its junction with Queens Road as recommended by the Chief Constable.

2—Gloucester Road—Transformer Pillar—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from the Borough Electrical Engineer for permission to erect a transformer pillar on the north side of Gloucester Road at the corner of Golden Valley Road. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

3—Christ Church Road—Switch Pillar—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from the Borough Electrical Engineer for permission to erect a switch pillar in Christ Church Road near its junction with Queen's Road. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

4—Omnibus Stops—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Cheltenham District Traction Company had asked that stop signs on the carriageways be repainted: RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have this done subject to the Company agreeing to pay the cost.

5—Imperial Square—The Borough Surveyor reported that the owners of the inner drive in front of Nos. 1 to 12 Imperial Square had now agreed to pay for the repair and surface dressing of this drive.

6—Naunton Way—The Town Clerk reported that statutory notice had now been given to take over this short length of road, and no objections had been received. RESOLVED, That this road be now taken over, as a road repairable by the inhabitants at large.

7—America Passage—Read, letters from Mr. G. Bradfield complaining of the obstruction of this passage by the placing of slot machines therein and of other obstructions of footpaths by tradesmen's goods. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to draw the attention of the Police to this complaint.

8—College Road—RESOLVED, That consideration of the application of Major Brooke Murray for the removal of a tree outside " Gainsborough " be adjourned for view.

9—Projecting Signs—(a) Read letter of 4th inst., from United Chemists Association Ltd., asking the Committee to reconsider their decision not to grant Messrs, Hawley & Chipp permission to erect a projecting sign advertising Ucal products outside their premises in Winchcomb Street, RESOLVED, That the application be granted subject to the usual conditions and that Minute No 4 (a) passed at the meeting of the Committee held on 19th ult. be rescinded.

(b) RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs. E. W. and W. J. Moore to place a projecting sign outside No 369a High Street be granted subject to the usual conditions.

10—Damage to Footpaths etc.—Read, Reports of Borough Surveyor of damage to footpaths in Swindon Road and Grosvenor Street South and to a vent shaft in Shurdington Road and also a tree in Carlton Street. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make claims against the respective firms and persons responsible for the damage.

11—Highways Department—Sweepers—Read, letter of 18th inst. from the Cheltenham and District Trades Council in regard to the hours of employment of the sweepers together with report from the Borough Surveyor thereon. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next Meeting.

12—Cheltenham Golf Club—Read, letter of 19th inst. from the Hon. Secretary of this Club asking the Council to erect signs directing to the golf links on Cleeve Hill, and the cost of doing this. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to consider if this cannot be included on the sign directing to Winchcomb.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

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MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 23rd January, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Margrett and Clara Winterbotham ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Lipson, J. F.

Ward, Weech and Yarnold ; Mesdames E. Booy, E. C. Gurney and W. L. Mellersh (Councillor Leigh James in the chair).

1—Cheltenham Infant Welfare Association--Quarterly Report—Read, Report for the Quarter ended 31st December, 1932

The attendances at the Centres had been as follows :—

	Infants.	Toddlers.
At Baker Street (12 Meetings)	30.8	37.6
At Clare Street (12 Meetings)	21.25	17.3
At Highbury (12 Meetings)	39	49.4
At St. Mark's (12 Meetings)	23.4	28.5

2—Health Visitors—Annual Report—The following is a summary of the work done by the Health Visitors during the year ended December, 1932 :—

No. of Children on Register	2,501
Children Visited (a) 1 year and under	1,113
" (b) over 1 year ..	2,134
Un-notified Births discovered	11
Un-notified Still-Births discovered ...	2
Home Visits paid by Health Visitors	7,491
First Visits „ 11	570
Attendances of Health Visitors at Centres	266
Children remitted to Hospital	33
Ante-natal cases visited -. ..	109
Chicken-pox	19
Measles	6
Whooping-cough cases visited	8
Scarlet Fever ...	1
Cases reported to N.S.P.C.C.	4

Grants of Milk

Average number of cases receiving assistance daily during the year	85
Cost of milk during the year	£313 9s. 4d.

Children Act :

No. of Children on Register during year	66
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Quarterly Report—The following is a summary of the work during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1932 :—

No. of Children on Register	...	2,501
Children Visited (1 year and under)	...	589
(over 1 year)		565
Un-notified Births discovered		2
Home Visits paid by Health Visitors...		1,907
First Visits paid by Health Visitors ...		138
Attendances of Health Visitors at Centres		72
Children remitted to Hospital		13
Ante-natal cases visited	...	33
Chicken Pox cases visited	...	6
Whooping Cough cases visited		1
Scarlet Fever cases visited	...	1
Measles	2

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Grants of Milk :

Carried over from previous quarter	73
New Orders ...	70
Orders discontinued during quarter	48
continuing to coming quarter	95

Children Act :	Health Visitors.	School Nurses.
No. of Children on Register during the Quarter	38	7
“ visits (under Children Act) paid ...	49	7

3—Midwives Acts—(a) The Medical Officer of Health reported that notices of intention to practice had been received from Miss Bessie Kirkeep and Miss M. Elizabeth Woodgate, both of the Victoria Home.

(b) Medical Assistance—The Medical Officer of Health reported that 53 applications had been received from Midwives for medical help during the period from the 1st October to 31st December, 1932, and that the total amount of doctors' fees paid for this period was £29 19s. 0d., of which £9 14s. 4d. was rechargeable to patients.

(c) The Medical Officer of Health reported that the following special notifications had been received from midwives during the quarter ended 31st December, 1932: Still-births 3 ; Deaths of Infants 2 ; Artificial feeding being necessary 1 ; Liability to be a source of infection 1

4—Puerperal Pyrexia and Fever Regulations—(a) The Medical Officer of Health reported that no request for a specialist opinion had been received during the quarter.

(b) The Medical Officer of Health submitted accounts for the provision of a special nurse in three notified cases of Puerperal Pyrexia, and for treatment in the General Hospital in one case. RESOLVED, That the accounts be passed for payment.

5—Dentistry—The Medical Officer of Health reported that 8 mothers and 14 infants had attended the School Dentist in accordance with the arrangement made with the Education Committee.

6—Children and Young Persons Act, 1932—Read, letter of 7th ult., from the Chairman of St. Anne's Church of England Nursery Training College, applying for exemption under Section 69 (1) (b) of this Act. Previous to this Act the College was exempted under Section 11 (1) of the Children Act, 1908. RESOLVED, That the application be granted.

7—Local Government Act, 1929—Read, letter of 10th inst., from the Ministry of Health, approving the new scheme made by the Council for the payment of contributions to voluntary associations under Section 101 (4) of this Act for the second fixed grant period of four years ended 1937.

8—Conference—Read, circular of 16th inst., from the Association of Inspectors of Midwives, inviting the Council to appoint Inspectors to attend a Conference and Post-Graduate Course in London, commencing on the 15th May next. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

9—Milk—RESOLVED, That tenders be invited for the supply of milk for the year ended 28th February, 1934, and that the Chairman be authorised to accept a tender or tenders.

LEIGH JAMES,

Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 26th January, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, E. L. Ward and Yarnold ; Messrs. G. E. Arthurs, J. H. Clifford, W. S. F. Harris, W. Wiggett and A. Yiend (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.
3436	Whitton, A. J.	Motor house, Bramery, Alstone Lane.
3444	Winterbotham, Alderman Clara F.	Detached house, Western Drive, Pittville.
3445	Reason, C. H.	4 houses, Exmouth Street.
3446	St. Paul's Church Council	New Vestry, St. Paul's Church.
3447	Y.M.C.A.	Additions and alterations, Y.M.C.A., Promenade.
3448	Copeland, R. V.	Garage, Tivoli Road.
3449	Chanelle Ltd.	New shop front, 62 and 64 Promenade.
3450	Wild, Mrs.	Garage, 3 Hatherley Road
3451	Davis, D. V.	Garage extension, Ellenborough Hotel, Oriel Road.

3452	Barnard, L. W. and Partners	Conversion of one house into two, Lagarie, Eldorado Road.
3453	Willett, F.	Pair of houses, Knapp Road.
3454	Billings, A. C. & Sons	7 houses, Evesham Road.
3455	Brettell, Lt.-Col. R.	Garage, rear of Pittville Crescent,
3456	Gale, H. J. W.	Garage, Shirley, Argyle Road.
3457	Philpotts, H.	Garage and filling station, Gloucester Road.
3458	St. Mark's School Managers	Extension to school buildings, St. Mark's School, Alstone Lane.
3459	Christchurch School Managers	Extension to school buildings, Christchurch School, Malvern Road

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 3444, 3446, 3448, 3449, 3450, 3451, 3453, 3454, 3455 and 3456 be approved ; That Plan No. 3435 be approved subject to the owner entering into an undertaking to remove the building behind the building line at his own cost and without compensation if and when required ; That Plan No. 3445 be approved subject to the owner entering into an undertaking to give up the land at the corner without compensation if and when required for road improvement ; That Plans Nos. 3447, 3452, 3458 and 3459 be approved subject to the sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector ; and That Plan No. 3457 be not approved.

(a) Plan No. 3424—Rebuilding of 19 Portland Street—The Borough Surveyor reported that when this plan was approved it was understood from the Statement of Particulars accompanying the plan that it was not proposed to bring the new building forward in front of the existing building, but it now appeared that this was intended. Mr. W. J. Forbes attended on behalf of Mr. A. A. Williams. RESOLVED, That Mr. Williams be asked to set back the upper storey of the new building to the existing building line, but that the ground floor be allowed to remain.

(b) Plan No. 3429—Highbury Parsonage—Read, letter from the Rev. Evans Cloutman asking the Committee to approve the building line in Carlton Street being 15 feet instead of 20 feet as shown on the plan as it was desired to leave sufficient room at the side of the house, and between the house and the church hall for a tennis court. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

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.
405	Bendall, A. C.	Bungalow, Kidnappers Lane, Leckhampton.
406	Bowd, W. H.	8 pairs semi-detached houses, Bouncer's Lane, Prestbury.
407	Hunt, A. E.	6 pairs semi-detached houses, Bouncer's Lane, Prestbury.
408	Burford, M. R.	House, Uckington.
409	Cole, W. H.	House, garage and store, Seven Springs.
410	Cole, W. H.	Petrol filling station, Seven Springs.

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RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 405, 408 and 409 be approved ; That Plans Nos. 406 and 407 be approved subject to a undertaking being given to set back the front fence to the Improvement Line laid down in the Town Planning Scheme when required by the Road Authority, and in the case of

Plan No. 407, subject also to the two pairs houses north of the proposed new road and fronting to Bouncer's Lane being set back 17 feet from the boundary of the road ; and That Plan No. 410 be approved subject (a) to the front elevation being to the satisfaction of the Committee, (b) to the building being set back 45 feet from the boundary of the main road, and (c) to the four gate piers not being erected on any part of the public highway.

3—Old Bath Road—Read, letter of 19th inst. from the Ministry of Health that the Minister had considered the appeal made by Mr. C. A. Smith against the refusal of the Council to permit the development of his land abutting on this road and that it appeared to the Minister that the appellant would suffer serious and immediate loss if permission is not granted and in view of the provision of Section 10 of the Town Planning Act, 1925, which precludes a claim for compensation being made until the Scheme was completed, the Minister felt he would not be justified in refusing permission for the proposed development unless an equitable settlement was made with the applicant by the Local Authorities concerned and the Minister proposed to defer for a short time his formal decision on the appeal, in order that the Council might have an opportunity of arriving at an agreement. RESOLVED, That the Committee think it is desirable that the Council should purchase this land, and recommend that the District Valuer be instructed to negotiate terms for the purchase thereof.

4—Southend House, Prestbury Road—Read, letter of 30th ult. from Messrs. Engall Cox & Co. enquiring whether the Council would approve of this house being used for commercial purposes, and to workshops and garages being erected. The house is situate in an area which is scheduled for residential purposes. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to recommend the Council to approve of the proposed conversion.

5—Whittington Pitch—Read, letter from Mr. F. J. Hutton that he had been offered a small piece of land on the London Road for the erection of a lock-up refreshment room for the sale of tea etc. to lorry drivers, and asking if the Committee would approve of the proposed building. RESOLVED, That the Committee do not approve of the proposal.

6—Priory Lane, Winchcomb—Read, letter of 13th inst. from the Ministry of Health enclosing copy of letter received from the Winchcomb Rural District Council in regard to the refusal of the Committee to sanction plans for the houses erected in this road unless the Rural District Council signed an undertaking not to claim any compensation should the road at any time require widening. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk's letter in reply be approved,

E. L. WARD,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 20th January, 1933. Present—Alderman Pates; Councillors Lipson, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward and Weech ; Messrs. H. W. Bennett and J. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair).

1—Medical Baths—Read, Monthly Report of the Superintendent.

2—Entertainments Sub-Committee--Read, Reports of the Entertainments Sub-Committee at their Meetings held on 2nd and 16th inst

They recommended (inter alia) as follows (a) Popular Dance Teas—That Popular Dance Teas be held on Wednesdays and Fridays at a charge of 1s 6d including tea

(b) Boxing—That the price of the 113 seats be reduced to 1s, and that the Entertainments Manager be authorised to issue complimentary tickets to persons displaying posters advertising the entertainments, and that the percentage to be allowed to Capt. Prince Cox in respect of future boxing entertainments be increased to 60 per cent

(c) Cabarets—That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to engage Rita and Clive, Cabaret Act for a fee of £5 on 23rd and 24th February, and also to engage a Cabaret for 27th and 28th January at a cost of £9

(d) Lectures—That the four lectures arranged for the afternoons of February 2nd and 16th and March 2nd and 16th be approved, the lecturers to receive 50 per cent. of the takings after deduction of entertainment tax, except that in the case of the one lecture the lecturer be guaranteed a minimum of £10 10s. 0d. and that the prices be fixed at 2s 6d and 1s 6d and the serial tickets at 7s 6d.

(e) Old English Fair Dance—That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to arrange an Old English Fair Dance on 15th February at a cost of approximately £25.

RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted, except that in the case of recommendation (b) Capt. Prince Cox's percentage be increased to 65 per cent.

3—Town Hall—(a) The Committee considered the control of the staff at the Town Hall RESOLVED, That the staff at the Town Hall be placed under the supervision and control of the Entertainments Manager (including the custody of lost property), and that he be instructed to submit a report as to the hours of employment, wages and duties of all the staff, and that Minute No. 1 passed at the meeting of the Committee on 18th September, 1931 be varied accordingly.

(b) Pictures --RESOLVED, That the Art Gallery and Museum Committee be asked if they have any suitable pictures available which could be exhibited in the Supper Room.

(c) RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to permit suitable advertisements of entertainments other than Municipal Entertainments to be held at the Town Hall, to be displayed on a notice board inside the Town Hall for a period of 14 days prior to the date of entertainment, and also to include announcements of suitable entertainments in the Spa Programme.

(d) Seating—Read, letter of 16th inst. from the Chamber of Commerce suggesting that if the balconies were tiered with seats the seating accommodation could be largely increased, RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to entertain this suggestion

(e) RESOLVED, That the following applications for the free use of the accommodation at the Town Hall be granted

Cheltenham Spending for Employment Committee... Meeting in Drawing Room, 6th February

Western Centre of Institute of Electrical Engineers Card Room, Refreshment Room and Drawing Room for Conference.

Electrical Association for Women ... Drawing Room for Conference on 22nd May.

Boxing Tournament Committee ... Card Room for meetings as required.

(f) Read, letter of 7th inst. from the National Union of Teachers thanking the Council for the invitation to hold their 1934 Conference in Cheltenham, but that they had decided to accept an invitation from Brighton.

(h) Convention of Bee-keepers—RESOLVED. That an invitation be extended to the Midland and South Western Counties Convention of Bee-keepers to hold their annual convention in Cheltenham, and that they be offered the necessary accommodation at the Town Hall.

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4—Montpellier Gardens—(a) Read, application of 10th inst. from Miss Hilda M. Bourne, Honorary Secretary of the Cheltenham Archers for the use of the Archery Ground for the 1933 season. RESOLVED, That this be granted 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. Od. for the season, including the services of a man to put up and take down the targets.

(b) RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Visitors and Councillor E. L. Ward, That the chestnut tree at the South East corner of these gardens be removed.

5—Entertainments Manager—RESOLVED, That the salary of the Entertainments Manager be increased to £315 per annum as from the 1st February, 1933.

6—Spa Treatment Scheme—Read, letter from Mr. J. Hatton enclosing particulars of the terms arranged for pathological work and radiological examinations in connection with this scheme. Read, also, letter from Mr. Hatton, that the Teachers' Provident Society had decided to join the scheme.

7—Spa Federation—Annual Meeting—RESOLVED, That the Chairman and the Entertainments Manager be authorised to attend the annual meeting of the Spa Federation to be held in London on the 16th February.

8—Pittville Gardens—The Entertainments Manager submitted letter from the Hon. Secretary of the West of England Ladies' Kennel Society applying for the use of Pittville Gardens for their open Summer Show on the 3rd May next. RESOLVED, That the use of the Pump Room and Gardens be granted for the Show at a charge of £10, this sum to include the cost of any damage and cleaning up after the Show.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 27th January, 1933, Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Pates; Councillors Pruen, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward and Weech and Mr. H. W. Bennett (Councillor Waite in the chair).

9—Summer Bands, 1933—The **Entertainments Sub-Committee** reported that they met on the 23rd inst., and considered several schemes for next summer's band as now submitted. RESOLVED, That tenders be invited for provision of the following :—

3rd June to 30th June (inclusive).

String Quintet : 11 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. weekdays.

String Octet : 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 2 hours evenings. (Weekdays).

Full Orchestra of 20 : 3 to 5 p.m. and 8 to 9.30 p.m. on Sundays.

1st July to 3rd September (inclusive).

String Quintet : 11 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. weekdays.

String Octet : 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

Full Orchestra : 2 hours evenings of weekdays and 3 to 5 p.m. and 8 to 9.30 p.m. Sundays ; also Whitmonday morning and evening and August Bank Holiday morning when Quintet or Octet will not be required.

4th September to 14th October (inclusive).

String Quintet 11 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. weekdays.

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10—Music and Dancing Licences—RESOLVED, That application be made for the following music and dancing licences for the ensuing year :—

Town Hall Weekdays : 7 a.m. to 2 a.m. Sundays ; 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Winter Gardens and Bandstand Weekdays : 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sundays : 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Montpellier Gardens ... Weekdays : 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sundays : 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Montpellier Baths Weekdays : 10 a.m. to 12 midnight.

11—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Report of Sub-Committee held on 23rd inst. They recommended (inter alia) as follows :—

(a) Town Hall—That the Fire Brigade be asked to test the fire appliances at the Town Hall and instruct the staff in their use once a year.

(b) Lectures-----That pupils from Schools and Colleges be admitted to the four Lectures arranged at half price.

(c) Boxing—That the list of complimentary tickets to be issued to persons advertising posters etc., for the Boxing Entertainments be approved as settled by the Sub-Committee.

(d) Council—That complimentary tickets be issued to the members of the Council for all Municipal entertainments. RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

12—Town Hall—Lime Lights—(a) RESOLVED, That a charge of 7s 6d. be made to hirers of the Hall when the lime lights are required and that this sum be paid to the operators of the lights.

(b) Organ—Read, letter of 25th inst., from Mr. E. J. Burrow, that if the tuning of the organ was taken out of the makers hands it would cancel his guarantee, but that Messrs. Rushworth & Dreaper were now satisfied that six tunings a year would suffice and were prepared accordingly to reduce their charge to £16 16s 0d. RESOLVED, That this be accepted to continue until determined by either party by 2 months' notice.

(c) Music and Dancing Licence—RESOLVED, That the cost of the occasional extension licences, namely 5s, be included in the hire charge.

13—Montpellier Gardens—Hard Tennis Courts—The Committee considered the provision of additional hard courts at these gardens. The Borough Surveyor submitted tender from the Owe 40 Co., Ltd., to provide three courts adjoining the present courts, including fencing and gate, and tennis posts for £454 10s. 0d. plus extra cost of providing green topping to courts estimated at about £60; the Corporation to remove turf and shrubs. RESOLVED, That this tender be accepted, subject to Contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into, and that a loan for the cost be raised under Section 235 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to be repayable within a period of not exceeding 5 years.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 30th January, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Moore; Councillors Waite, E. L. Ward and J. F. Ward (Alderman Moore in the chair).

1—Slot Meters—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that two cases had recently been disclosed where improper use had been made of slot meters. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings against the offenders.

2—Folly Lane—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received enquiries as to whether a supply will be available in this road. He estimated the cost of providing the necessary high pressure and low pressure cables to supply the whole estate at £800 to £1,000, and in addition there would be the cost of the internal wiring of the houses. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to agree to lay the necessary cables to supply the houses,

3—Rowanfield Road—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted letter from Mr. Palser, the Secretary of the Rowanfield Road Property Owners Committee, asking the Committee to contribute towards the cost of repairs to this road, estimated at £7 10s. 0d., as the Corporation now owned property in the road. RESOLVED, That the Committee agree to contribute towards the cost of the repairs on the basis of the frontage of the Sub-Station provided the other owners in the road also agree to contribute on the same basis.

4—I.M.E.A.—RESOLVED, That the Chairman and either Councillors E. L. Ward or Waite, together with the Borough Electrical Engineer be appointed delegates to attend the 38th Annual Convention at Bournemouth from 12th to 17th June next.

5—Electrical Development Association—Read, circular of 28th ult. from this Association asking for the nomination of representatives of local authorities on the Council of the Association, and the Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the Bradford Corporation had nominated Cheltenham. RESOLVED, That the Committee support this nomination.

6—Public Lighting—(a) Priory Terrace—The Committee considered the complaints received from the Rev. Evans Cloutman of the lighting in Priory Terrace. The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the difficulty did not arise solely from the position of the lamps but was mainly due to the shape of the road. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to make any alteration in the position of the lamp standards, but that the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to increase the size of the lamp at the end of the road, and that the matter be referred to the Street and Highway Committee.

(b) Warden Hill Road—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted memorial from residents in this road asking for an additional lamp to be erected near the Borough Boundary. Only one of the memorialists was living in the Borough, and it was RESOLVED, That the application be not acceded to and the memorialists be informed that the lighting of the road outside the Borough was a matter for the Parish Council to deal with.

7—Supply to Rural Areas—(a) Swindon and Uckington—Read, letter of 17th inst. from the Ministry of Transport enclosing copy of a letter received from Mr. F. G. Cooke in regard to the overhead line erected across his property without obtaining his permission, and the Town Clerk submitted his reply. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(b) Crickley Hill and Birdlip—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported further interviews for obtaining the necessary wayleaves for this extension. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for the present.

(c) Bushcombe Lane—Read, letter of 25th inst. from the Clerk to the Winchcomb Rural District Council that his Council had no objection to the erection of overhead lines in this lane.

8—Insurance—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted amended quotation for insurance against loss of profits. RESOLVED, That this quotation be not accepted.

9—Extensions to Mains—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to make the two extensions to mains referred to in his report at a total estimated cost of £265 on the terms now approved by the Committee.

10—British Industries Fair—RESOLVED, That the Chairman and the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to attend this Fair at Birmingham.

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11—Damage to Lamp Standard—Read, letter of 24th inst. from the Provident Accident and White Cross Insurance Company offering to enter into a Halving Agreement for the settlement of the claim of £8 13s. 4d. for the estimated cost of making good the damage to the lamp standard at the junction of Clarence Road and North Place, knocked down by a motor lorry belonging to Mr. F. S. Waldren on 15th ult., and all future claims. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be authorised to sign the necessary agreement on behalf of the Corporation.

12—Gas Tests—(a) Quarterly Report—Read, report of the Gas Examiner for the quarter ended 31st December, 1932, which showed the average calorific value for the quarter to be 472.6 B.Th.U.

(b) Periodical Reports—Read, reports of Gas Tests made on the 13th, 20th and 28th ult., and the 4th, 12th, 17th and 26th inst., which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 474.6, 471.9, 473.3, 470.2, 474.7, 470.3 and 470.9 B.Th.U. respectively, and the pressure 5.2, 5.4, 5.4, 5.4, 5.4, 5.0 and 5.2 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 10th January, 1933. Present—Aldermen Margrett, Moore and Pates ; Councillors Dr. W. Curling Hayward, L. Scott Langley and Selina Smith (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days ended 9th January, 1933.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	300,000 gallons	406,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	1,189,000	1,398,000
Leckhampton Springs	50,000	66,000
Total	1,539,000	1,870,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth 9th January, 1933.	Contents	Depth 9th January, 1932.	Contents
Hewletts		10,810,000 gallons		25,454,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	23ft. 8ins.	59,822,000	31ft. 1in.	96,072,000
Leckhampton	10ft. 0ins.	1,350,000	12ft. 0ins.	1,620,000
Total Storage		71,982,000		123,146,000

3—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered, and the rates settled and adjusted.

4—Hewletts Reservoir—The Borough Engineer reported on this supply. RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer and Medical Officer of Health be authorised to consult Sir Alexander Houston in regard thereto.

5—Tewkesbury Waterworks—Reinforced Concrete Works—RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Borough Engineer be authorised to open the tenders for this work.

6—Rome Farm, Dowdeswell—Read, letter of 19th inst. from Mr. C. C. Castle giving particulars of the repairs required to the outbuildings etc. RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to have this done.

7—Musk Rats—Read, circular from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries in regard to musk rats. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Borough Engineer for attention.

8—Leckhampton Reservoir—The Town Clerk reported that the Delancey Hospital Trustees recommended that provision should be made for the installation of a water softening plant for this reservoir. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned pending the consultation with Sir Alexander Houston referred to above.

9—Dowdeswell Reservoir—The Borough Engineer reported that the cleaning out of the Dowdeswell sedimentation basin had now been completed, and that 3737 loads or 2802 cubic yards of mud had been removed,

10—Land at Dowdeswell—Read, further letter from Messrs. Rumball & Edwards asking that if the Council would not sell the field No. 396, whether they would consent to a long lease of the same to their client, Mr. H. Clutterbuck, who would only require possession of the field for protection purposes. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to entertain a sale or lease.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 31st January, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Margrett, Moore and Pates ; Councillors Dr. Hayward and Morris (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

11—Tewkesbury Waterworks—(a) 33 Tenders were received for the construction of Raw water storage reservoir, Pure water tank roofing, Alumina house and River intake. RESOLVED, That the tender of C. A. Horton Ltd. of Brierly Hill of £11,365 2s. 7d. (being the lowest) be accepted, subject to contract and Bond to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into. RESOLVED, also, That the Ministry of Health be now asked to issue a sanction to loan of £11,405 the balance of the loan previously applied for to cover the remaining items of the scheme, which amount was made up as follows :—

A. A. Horton Ltd. tender ...	£11,365
Less River intake included in above tender for which sanction to loan has been received	<u>£510</u>
	£10,855
Fees to reinforced Concrete Specialists	£300
Salary of Clerk of Works	<u>£250</u>
	£11,405

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(b) The Borough Engineer submitted tender from Paterson Filters Ltd., amounting to £1,216 for bringing the existing filters up to date and £155 for automatic chemical control as required by the Ministry of Health and recommended the acceptance of same. RESOLVED, That this tender be accepted, subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into, and that the cost of the work be charged to Revenue Account.

(c) RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer be authorised to appoint a Clerk of Works for supervising the work.

12—Land, London Road—Read, letter of 12th inst., from the Ministry of Health enclosing copies of Order confirming the Compulsory Purchase Order made by the Council for the acquisition of the land in London Road. The Ministry asked to be informed at an early date whether any of the habitations on the land would be retained and if so what arrangements will be made for their drainage. RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to report as to whether a satisfactory system of drainage could be provided for the brick built house occupied by Mrs. Burton and estimated cost of same. RESOLVED, also, That the Town Clerk be instructed to serve notices to treat on the several Owners and occupiers.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT.

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 24th January, 1933. Present—The Mayor; The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Margret, Moore and Pates Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Diseases Amongst Animals---(a) Superintendent Wayman reported that the Borough was still free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

(b) Foot and Mouth Regulation of Movement Orders—The Town Clerk submitted copies of these orders which had been published as requested by the Ministry of Agriculture.

(c) Importation of Canadian Cattle Order—The Town Clerk submitted copy of this order which had been communicated to the Press as requested by the Ministry.

2—Fire Brigade—(a) The Captain reported that since the last meeting the brigade had attended the following outbreaks of fire :—

Date.	Place	Cause.	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
21st December	Two Hedges, Woodmancote	Not apparent	£50	£5 3s. 6d.
5th January	Bafford Croft, Charlton Kings	..	Slight	£2 17s. 6d.
15th January	Keynsham House	Defective fire place	"	£4 3s. 6d.
18th January	Leckhampton Inn	Not apparent	£45	£3 18s. 6d.

(b) **Sub-Committee**—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 10th inst. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillor Thomas and Mr. Wiggett. Alderman Sawyer had been elected Chairman of the Sub-Committee. They recommended that tenders be obtained for replacing the front wheels of the Fire Engine with pneumatic tyres and for a spare wheel, RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to obtain an estimate from Leyland Motors Ltd. for pneumatic tyres and spare wheel, and also for solid tyres.

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3—Cinematograph Licences—RESOLVED, That the licences in respect of the Theatre and Opera House, Coliseum, Palace Cinema, North Street Cinema and Daffodil Picture House be renewed for one year up to the 6th February 1934.

4—Soup Kitchen—The Committee further considered the report of the Borough Surveyor as to the repairs etc. required at the Soup Kitchen. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the repairs executed and to provide a sanitary convenience at a total estimated cost of £32.

5—Marle Hill House—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit an estimate of the cost of providing entrance gates to the fields adjoining this house to avoid the tenant of the fields having to use the drive to the house.

6—Borough Arms--The Town Clerk read a letter drawing the Council's attention to a press advertisement of a local firm which contained the Borough Arms. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the firm in question and inform them that the Borough Arms is the property of the Corporation and that the Council object to this being used for trade purposes.

7—Royal Automobile Club Caravan Rally—Read, letter of 17th inst. from the Chamber of Commerce asking the Council to provide a Cup in connection with this Rally which the Chamber were endeavouring to get to Cheltenham, RESOLVED, That if the Club select Cheltenham as the venue for the Rally, a cup value £10 10s. 0d. be provided

8—Charlton Common—The Town Clerk reported that it appeared some small encroachments had been made on to Charlton Common by adjoining owners and recommended that a careful survey of the boundary should be made. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have a survey made.

9—Re-numbering of Houses—Portland Street—RESOLVED, That provision be made in next year's estimates for the re-numbering of Portland Street.

10—Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act, 1925—Read, letter of 16th inst. from the Ministry of Health enclosing summary of facts in regard to a representation made with reference to orphans' pensions payable in respect of three children living with their grandmother, and asking the Council to investigate the case and report thereon to the Ministry. Reports from the Medical Officer of Health and Superintendent Wayman were submitted RESOLVED, That these reports be sent to the Ministry with an intimation that the Council do not consider any action is necessary. RESOLVED, also, That the Medical Officer of Health be asked to arrange for the Health Visitors to make periodical inspections of the house so that the children may be kept under observation.

11—Superannuation—RESOLVED, That the services of J. Lidyard, disinfectant van driver, be extended for one month up to the 9th March next, to enable the Public Health Committee to consider the matter further.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman

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ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on. Monday, 9th January, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, J. P. Ward ; and Messrs. A. C. Castle, Clarkson and Yeend (Councillor J. F. Ward in the chair).

1—Albert Road Allotments Nos. 18, 20 and 20a—Read, application for reduction of rent. RESOLVED, That the application be not acceded to.

2—Arrears—The Town Clerk submitted list of arrears of rent. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to take proceedings for recovery of same.

3—Allotments for Unemployed—The Town Clerk submitted list of vacant allotments in Albert Road, Brooklyn Road, Rainbow Field and Whaddon Lane comprising 10.1 chains which he proposed to offer to the Unemployed Allotments Association at 8s 8d. a chain. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

J. F. WARD, Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 9th January, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Lt -Col. Biggs and J. F. Ward (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Pittville Estate—The Borough Surveyor submitted a proposal made by Alderman Clara Winterbotham who is building a house in Western Drive, that this road should be re-named West Drive in order to avoid confusion with Western Road. RESOLVED, That the Committee do not approve of this proposal.

W. SA WYER, Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 13th January, 1933. Present—Councillor Weech ; and Mr. F. B. de Sausmarez (Councillor Weech in the chair).

1---Curator's Report—Visits-2,663 (against 1,837).

Receipts—Catalogues ; Postcards 4s 2d. ; "Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund " £4 11s. 6d. (including £2 2s. 0d. from Miss M. K. Snowdon, and £1 from Mrs. Muriel Elwes).

Exhibition--The Second Annual Exhibition by the Cotswold Art Club was on view in the Gallery, and would remain until the 4th February.

Cervus giganteus—The Board of Education had promised a grant-in-aid of £12 towards the purchase of this specimen.

Poaching Gaff and Salmon Spear from the Wye Valley—The Curator had purchased a Poaching Gaff and Salmon Spear from the Wye Valley at a cost of 5s.

2—Donations—From Messrs. G. H. Bayley & Sons, 2 dress stands and 3 crinoline frames ; Mr. C. W. Coates, Wrought-iron Pot-Hanger from Coberley ; Mr. R. Ball Dodson, Paintings by the late Sarah Ball Dodson, "Malvern Priory," 1892 ; " View from Rusthall Common, Tunbridge Wells," 1897 ; " The Sands, Southport---after storm," 1884; " Sunset, Lake Lucerne," 1889; Colonel M. J. King-Harman, 3 guns, 2 spears, and 2 swords from Afghanistan ; Mrs. McArthur, Oak Bookcase ; Mr. C. R. Mapp, Bird Scarer ; Mrs. Mercer, Piece of Point D'Argentan Lace; Lady Winterbotham, 3 brass lighting appliances used in temple worship in Madras, and one set of Bells.

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

3—Loan—Mrs. M. H. Webster, False-necked Jar, late Mycenaean, from Crete, c. 1375-1100 B.C.

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

4—Cheltenham Amateur Photographic Society—RESOLVED, That this Society be granted facilities for meetings on the Art Gallery and Museum premises on payment of lighting charges.

5—Portrait Bust of the Bishop of London—The Curator reported further that the offer of the plaster model for this Bust by Mr. J. E. Hyett was that of a gift from the Ex-Mayor of Fulham. RESOLVED, That the gift be accepted, and the thanks of the Committee conveyed to the Donor.

6—Exhibitions—RESOLVED, That the Curator be authorised to arrange for Exhibitions as follows, when convenient :—

(a) Cotswold Arts and Crafts.

(b) Fabricolour Pictures by Messrs. Debenham, Longman & Co. of Cheltenham.

RESOLVED, further, That the Curator be authorised to inspect an Exhibition of Pictures by the late Frederic Charles Mulock when in London on other business, and the £1,000 All-British House Competition Drawings and Models in Birmingham on 4th March.

W. N. WEECH,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 27th January, 1933. Present—Councillors The Rev. de Courcy-Ireland and Thomas (Councillor Thomas in the chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of the Superintendent for the period from 24th December, 1932, to 27th January, 1933. Interments 101 ; Grave Spaces sold 24 (First Position 1, Second Position 3, Third Position 1, Fourth Position 19) ; Memorials erected 1, New Inscriptions 1. The number of interments for the year ended the 31st December, 1932, was 643.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8698 to 8721.

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following Designs be approved :—Kerbing to graves of H. J. Woolnough, M. A. Matthews, and R. Smith ; Kerbing and Posts to graves of C. Fieldhouse, and E. C. Cooke ; Headstone and Kerbing to grave of F. Richardson ; Memorial Cross and Kerbing to graves of M. M. Humphreys, and T. Mc Dermott ; and Memorial Block and Kerbing to grave S. Montagnon.

H. W. THOMAS,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 5th January, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Curling Hayward, Lipson and Thomas; Dr. R. Davies ; Messrs. E. C. Rogers and F. Vernall (Councillor Thomas in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report for November and December—Receipts £33 15s. 10d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 12,724 (last year 11,675) ; Lending Department 34,696 (last year 35,199) ; Junior Department 5,969 (last year 7,423). Total for the two months 53,389 (last year 54,297).

Binding and Replacements—During the two months 652 volumes had been bound and placed in circulation. 125 volumes had been replaced.

Lectures—The following lectures had taken place in the Art Gallery :—

November 21st Miss Florence Locke : a dramatic interpretation of " Jeanne D'Arc," a play by Percy Mackaye. (Attendance 267).

November 28th Miss Doris M. Gill : " To-day's Challenge to the Sunday School." (Attendance 134).

December 5th Miss Dora M. Noakes : " The Charm of the Well-Lighted Home," (Attendance 110).

December 9th Mr. Dorey : " Modern Developments of the Aeroplane Engine." (Attendance 30 ; arranged by the Cheltenham Science Society).

December 12th Mr. Aubrey Standing : "Speech and Song ; and Selections from Dickens' Christmas Carol ' " (Attendance 176). Lecture Programme—The Programme of the new Series of Lectures to be given from January to March, 1933, had been issued.

2— Teachers' Reference Library—As requested by the Committee, the Librarian presented a report on this section. RESOLVED, That the Education Committee be approached to ascertain whether it is their intention to keep this collection up to date.

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3-Donations-Anonymous (7 vols.); Mrs. Agg (2 vols.); Auctioneers' Auctioneers' and Estate Agents' Institute (1 vol.) ; Burrow & Co. Ltd. (1 vol.) ; Consulate General of Japan (1 vol.) ; Director of Census, Pretoria (1 vol.) The Freedom Association (1 vol.) ; Mrs. Haig (10 vols.) ; Institute of Chartered Accountants (1 vol.) National Children's Home (1 vol.) ; Mr. R. R. Pope (10 vols.) ; Messrs. The Times Publishing Co. (1 vol.) ; Lady Winterbotham (29 vols.) ; Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham (18 vols.) ; Mr. B. M. Buckingham (2 vols.).

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

4—Books—RESOLVED, (a) That 195 volumes, published at £70 10s. 0d., be purchased for £45 14s. 4d.

(b) That 9 volumes, published at £25 14s. 6d. be purchased for £12 7s. 9d. out of the Leslie Young Bequest.

(c) That the sum of £50 be spent on Binding.

(d) That the sum of £15 be spent on Replacements.

5—Periodical—RESOLVED, That the offer of " The Depositor," monthly, gratis, be accepted with thanks.

6—Regional Libraries—Read, a Memorandum from Gravesend Public Library Committee asking for support with regard to their attitude to the formation of a Regional Library Scheme for East Anglia. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

7—Automatic Oil Firing—Messrs. Hope's Heating and Lighting Ltd. had asked to be allowed to inspect the building and submit a scheme for converting the coke boiler to oil fuel. The Librarian reported that this firm's scheme would involve an expenditure of £200 and certain minor expenses for structural alterations. RESOLVED, That the matter be deferred indefinitely.

H. W. THOMAS, Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 30th January, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Councillors Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

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

2—Unpaid Rates—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 applied for, but in some cases suspended whilst weekly instalments as now settled by the Committee were regularly paid.

3--Valuation Lists—The Committee report that they have held eight meetings to settle draft valuation lists.

4—Central Valuation Committee—The Town Clerk submitted circular of 29th ult., from the Ministry of Health enclosing copy of eighth series of representations by the Central Valuation Committee.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 31st January, 1933. Present—The Mayor; The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore ; Councillors Leigh James, Amen, Waite and E. L. Ward (The Deputy Mayor 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 £83,709. Leaving outstanding £24,350.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 30th inst. , on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 31st March, 1933. Amount collected £16,093. Leaving outstanding £5,105.

3—Housing Bonds—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting £1,400 had been received for 3 ½ per cent Housing Bonds and that certificates had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved-

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

Date, 1932.	Purpose.	Amount.	Period of Repayment.
30th December	Town Planning Expenses	£2,372	10 years.
30th December	Alstone Lawn Estate Purchase	£3,360	80 years.

5—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on 31st inst. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; and Councillor E. L. Ward

The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

6—Loans—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £500 on loan. RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

(b) Renewals—RESOLVED, That the terms proposed for the renewal of Debentures etc., amounting to £3,100 be approved and the Debentures endorsed accordingly.

7—Superannuation—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting the following retired employees in receipt of Superannuation allowances had died :-

26th December G. Newman receiving 14s 2d. per week,

27th December J. H. Davis receiving 16s 8d. per week

16th January G. H. Beard receiving 11s 7d. per week.

Mrs. Newman, widow of Mr. G. Newman, for many years in charge of the lodge at Montpellier Gardens, had asked if any portion of the allowance could be paid to her. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to agree to this.

(b) Delancey Hospital—RESOLVED, That the Council consent to the post of Medical Officer being designated by the Delancey Hospital Trustees for the purposes of the Superannuation Scheme.

8—Internal Audit—Read, report of the Internal Audit dated the 31st inst.

9—Stamp Duty on Financial Statement—Read, letter of 13th inst. from the Secretary, Inland Revenue, stating that the Board considered that they were not authorised or required to adjudicate on the point of difference as to the stamp duty payable on the Financial Statement. RESOLVED, That if the Minister of Health is willing to lay a case before the Law Officers of the Crown for their opinion on the point in dispute, the Council be recommended to agree to accept this opinion.

10-2)2 per cent. Consols—The Borough Treasurer reported that as authorised at the last meeting, the sinking fund investment in Consols had been sold for £7,850 12s. 6d. The original purchase price was £6,352 0s. 1d., giving a surplus of £1,498 12s. 5d. RESOLVED, That this surplus be applied to the repayment of the Municipal Offices Loans.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 2nd March, 1933.

Sir,

You are hereby Summoned to attend the **Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMEJWDE, on MONDAY, the 6th day of March, 1933, at THREE O'CLOCK** in the Afternoon, at which, Meeting the following Business is proposed to be transacted, anvil any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Meeting.
2. Communications by the Mayor.
3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE and to consider acceptance of alternative tender for houses at St. Mark's. 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 WINTER GARDEN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE
4. GENERAL HOSPITAL-To appoint two representatives on Board of Management.
5. DELANCEY HOSPITAL-To appoint a Representative Trustee to fill vacancy caused by expiration of term of office of Councillor Dr. Curling Hayward.
6. COUNCILLOR WEECH TO MOVE :-" That all plans submitted for buildings on the Pittville Estate shall be considered by the Parks Committee with reference to the existing covenants before being submitted for the approval of the Council."
7. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

Yours faith fully.

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 February, 1933, at 3 p.m.

Present :

The Mayor (Councillor Capt. John Henry Trye, C.B.E., R.N., J.P.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P.).

Aldermen Margrett, C.B.E., J.P., C.A., Moore, Pates, Sawyer and Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, O.B.E., Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, M.A., Dr. Hayward, M. B.E., M.B., B.S., Scott Langley, Lipson, M.A., Miller, Morris, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Weech, M.A. and Yarnold.

Apologies.—Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Leigh James and Selim

1—Minutes of Previous Meetings—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 2nd January, 1933, 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.

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9—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 9

Housing Meetings held January 19 & 31

Resolved, also, That the offer made by Messrs. Leishman & Copeland, on behalf of a client, to purchase No. 36 Milton Road for the price of £365 be accepted, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance. Resolved, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sale.

Street and Highway .. Meeting held January 23

Maternity and Child Welfare Meeting held January 23

Town Planning Meeting held January 26

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Weech and seconded by Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham : " That Plan No. 3454 for the erection of seven houses in Evesham Road, be referred back for further consideration " was lost).

Town Improvement and Spa... Meetings held January 20 & 27

(An Amendment moved by Councillor P. T. Smith : "That Minute No. r3 in regard to the provision of three additional hard tennis courts at Montpellier Gardens, be not approved " was not seconded).

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Pruen: "That Minute No. II (d) be not approved and that complimentary tickets be given to the Mayor and members of the Entertainments Sub-Committee " was not seconded).

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Lt.-Col. Biggs and seconded by Councillor Scott Langley : " That Minute No. 5 in regard to the increase in the Entertainments Manager's salary, be referred back " was lost).

Water Meetings held January 10 & 31

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held January 30

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held January 24

Resolved, also, That no objection be made to the application proposed to be made by the Cheltenham District Traction Company to the Traffic Commissioners for the revision of their existing omnibus services in the Borough.

Resolved, also, That the application of Albany Ward Theatres Ltd. for a Cinematograph Licence in respect of the Gaumont Palace be granted up to the 6th February, 1934, subject to a report being made by the Borough Surveyor that the building has been completed in accordance with the plans and the Home Office regulations.

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Allotments Meeting held January 9

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held January 9

Subject to an Amendment moved by Alderman Moore and seconded by Councillor Weech " That Alderman Winterbotham's suggestion be adopted, and that the Western Drive on Pittville Estate be renamed West Drive.' "

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held January 13

Burial Board Meeting held January 27

Public Library Meeting held January 5

Rating Meeting held January 30

Finance Meeting held January 31

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, and such additional sums as may become payable during the month in respect of current Contracts upon the Certificate of the Architect or Officer under whom the work is carried out.

Resolved, also, That the offer of the Co-operative Permanent Building Society to lend the Corporation the sum of £10,000 for a term of 10 years with option for either party to determine the loan at the end of the fifth or seventh year be accepted and that the Common Seal be affixed to a mortgage for securing the repayment of the said loan with interest payable half-yearly at the rate of 3 ½ per cent. on the said terms and that the said Society be and is hereby authorised to pay the said sum to the Borough Treasurer (Mr. E. W. Deacon) whose receipt shall be a sufficient discharge and that the Common Seal be affixed to this resolution.

3—Education Committee—Resolved, That Miss M. E. H. Knollys be re-appointed a representative of the Ladies College on the Education Committee for a further term of three years expiring on the 4th February, 1936.

4—Enlargement of Council—Resolved, That the Town Clerk's Memorandum in regard to this matter be referred for the consideration of the General Purposes and Watch Committee.

J. H. TRYE.

Mayor.

MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Conned to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the council to be held on Monday, 6th March, 1933.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 13th February, 1933. Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Margrett, Moore and Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, The Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Morris, Pruen, Waite, B. L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor A. S. F. Pruen in the chair).

1—Insanitary Property at 9 Clarence Square ; 15 Burton Street ; and 17 and 18 St. George's Street—The Committee having considered the representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses are satisfied that the said houses are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation in the respect mentioned in the said official representation, and that they are capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit for human habitation, RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Sub-section 1 of Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1930, notice be given to the persons having control of the houses requiring them to execute the works to be specified in the notice which will in the opinion of the Committee render the houses fit for human habitation.

2—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :---9 Pittville Street ; 62 Fairview Street; 3 and Fairview Terrace ; and 28 Lansdown Crescent—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.

3—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 16 lbs. Beef ; 1 cwt. 1 qr. 0 lbs. Veal ; 1 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lbs. Pork ; 5 lbs. Poultry.

4—Nuisances from Drains etc. at (a) St. Gregory's, St. James' Square—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 premises 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) 96 and 100 Promenade—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the drainage work at these premises had now been carried out by Messrs. Mark Williams & Co. at a cost of £7 2s. 0d. The apportionment made by the Borough Surveyor between the Owners of the cost of the work was submitted. RESOLVED, That the same be approved, and that an Order be made under the Common Seal declaring the said expenses to be Private Improvement Expenses, and that notices of the apportionment be served on the Owners, and demands for repayment of the sum apportioned against them.

(c) Station Street and New Street—RESOLVED, That the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to obtain estimates for carrying out the drainage work.

5—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) Trent Cottage, Gloucester Place—The Committee further considered the making of Demolition Order in respect of these premises. Mrs. Shenton, the Owner, attended and objected to a Demolition Order being made. RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the dwelling house, which is occupied or is of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes is unfit for human habitation, and is not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and no undertaking having been given by the Owner with respect to the carrying out of work or the future user of the house, a Demolition Order be now made by the Council in pursuance of Sub-Section (3) of Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, requiring that the house shall be vacated within 28 days from the date on which the Order becomes operative, and that the premises shall be demolished within six weeks after the expiration of the above mentioned period, or if the house is not vacated by that date, within six weeks after the date on which it is vacated.

(b) 1 Great Norwood Street—The Sub-Committee reported their inspection of this property. RESOLVED, That the Council, being satisfied that the basement rooms of the said premises which are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are let for human habitation and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and no undertaking having been given by the Owner to carry out the work required to render the premises fit for human habitation or as to the future user of the said part of the said building, an Order be now made under the Common Seal in pursuance of Section 20 of the Housing 1930, prohibiting the use of the said rooms for human habitation.

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(c) Haddonhurst, Grosvenor Street ; 24 Grosvenor Street ; 4 Portland Street ; and 16 Priory Terrace, RESOLVED, That consideration of making Closing Orders in respect of these premises be adjourned to the meeting of the Committee, and that meanwhile the Rota Sub-Committee be asked to inspect Haddonhurst next 24 Grosvenor Street. and

(d) 352-370 Gloucester Road—RESOLVED, That consideration of making Demolition Orders in respect of these premises be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

(e) 2a, 3a, 4, 6, 7a, 28 and 29 Rutland Street ; and 1, 2 and 3 Cottage Place, Rutland Street—The Rota Sub-Committee reported their inspection of this property. RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the above mentioned dwelling houses are unfit for human habitation and are not capable at reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, notices be given under Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, to the Owners, to the persons having control of the houses, and Mortgagees, if any, that the condition of the said houses and any offers with respect to the carrying out of the works or the future user of the houses will be considered at a meeting of this Committee to be held on 10th April next.

(f) 35 Tewkesbury Road—The Medical Officer of Health submitted representation in regard to this house. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee, and that meanwhile the Rota Sub-Committee be asked to inspect the property.

(g) RESOLVED, That in the future the Rota Sub-Committee be asked to inspect all properties in respect of which it is proposed to make either Closing or Demolition Orders.

6—Houses Let in Lodgings—RESOLVED, That 33 Swindon Road be registered as a house let in lodgings.

7—Notice not complied with--The Medical Officer of Health submitted Notice arising from defective roofs, broken sash cords and defective brickwork of furnace served but not complied with, RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance.

8--Hayden and Barn Farms—**The Farms Sub-Committee** reported their inspection of these farms with Mr. C. C. Castle on the 24th ult. RESOLVED, That the repairs recommended by Mr. Castle be carried out.

9—Flooding—College Road District—Read, letter of 9th inst., from the Ministry of Health, stating that the Minister would be prepared to sanction a loan in respect of this scheme on receipt of a revised estimate based on a provisionally accepted tender. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to obtain tenders for carrying out the work, and that the Chairman, the Mayor and Councillor Dr. Hayward be authorised to accept a tender.

10—Public Conveniences—(a) Automatic Machines—Read, letter of 4th ult. from the British Automatic Company Ltd., applying for a reduction in the rents in respect of their weighing and sweetmeat machines in the various public conveniences. RESOLVED, That the rent in respect of the machines in the Post Office Lane and Clarence Parade conveniences be reduced to £3 per annum. RESOLVED, also, That the application of the Company to place a machine in the Gentlemen's convenience at Leckhampton be granted subject to an annual rent of £2.

(b) St. Mark's District—Read, letter of 18th ult., from the Cheltenham and District Trades Council calling attention to the lack of public conveniences in the St. Mark's District, and suggesting that in view of the development in this part of the town, some provision should now be made. RESOLVED, That the consideration of this be adjourned for the present.

11—Smoke Nuisance—Dammann Asphalt Works—Two representatives of the Dammann Asphalt Company attended in regard to the nuisance from the dust, etc., emitted from their works, and stated that they had spent £500 in endeavouring to obviate the nuisance, and were now engaging an expert to advise them, and assured the Committee that they would do all in their power to remedy the nuisance. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

12—Swindon Road North--The Sanitary Inspector reported that septic tanks had now been provided for 14 houses in Swindon Road North, and that the occupiers had asked whether the Corporation could remove the sludge twice a year. RESOLVED, That the occupiers be informed that the Corporation will undertake this at a charge of 14s per annum.

ARTHUR S. F. PRUEN,

Chairman.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 16th February, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, The Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward. Lipson, Morris, P. T. Smith and Yarnold (Alderman Pates in the chair).

1—Housing Sub-Contractors—Messrs, Bastin, Honeysett and Tandy attended as a deputation from the Electrical Contractors in regard to safeguarding the position of Sub-Contractors executing electrical work on housing contracts. RESOLVED, That the architect be instructed to see that when a certificate has been issued which includes payment for work carried out by a sub-contractor, the receipts for such work are produced before another certificate is issued,

2—Alstone Lawn Estate--(a) New Houses—Mr. Rainger submitted revised layout plan for 49 houses on the Alstone Lawn Estate. RESOLVED, That advertisements be issued inviting tenders for the erection of the houses.

(b) Provisional Statement—The Town Clerk submitted provisional statement and estimated cost of the portions of the scheme for the rehousing necessary in connection with the Swindon Place and Swindon Passage Clearance Schemes. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(c) 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 things requisite to effect the redemption of the Land Tax of 5s on this land

(d) Shop Site--The Town Clerk reported that Mr. Oldacre had now abandoned his proposal to build a house on the corner of the land at the junction of Gloucester Road and Alstone Lane, but that Mr. Andrews desired to purchase a portion of the site for the erection of a shop. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee,

3-117 Tennyson Road—Mr. Rainger reported on the complaint of the tenant of the dampness of this house, and recommended that a land drain be provided at the rear of the house. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have this done.

4—Sale of Houses—(a) 4 Shelley Avenue—The Town Clerk submitted offer from Messrs. Leishman & Copeland on behalf of a client, to purchase this house at the price of £370. RESOLVED, That the offer be accepted, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the conveyance. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sale.

(b) The Town Clerk reported that he had received enquiries for the purchase of houses becoming vacant on the St. Mark's Estate, RESOLVED, That he be authorised to arrange for houses not to be re-let for three weeks after becoming vacant in cases where there is a prospect of effecting a sale.

5—Land at Alstone—The Committee further considered the offer of the L.M.S. Railway Company to sell the Company's land at Alstone, RESOLVED, That the Committee do not recommend the purchase at present.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 20th February, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col, Biggs, Scott Langley, Lipson, Thomas and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Omnibus Stops—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from the Cheltenham District Traction Company that their own staff might be allowed to carry out the work of repainting the stop signs on the carriageways RESOLVED, That no objection be made to this, subject to the work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor, and to the company agreeing to discontinue the work at any time when required by the Corporation,

2—Hudson Street and Hanover Parade—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from the Post Office Engineering Department for permission to place three telephone poles in Hudson Street and two in Hanover Parade RESOLVED, That the application be not granted, but that it be suggested to the Post Office that they should place the poles in the back gardens of the houses, and that the application be referred to the Housing Committee.

3—View Meeting—Read, Report of the View Committee of their meeting held on the 15th instant. Present—Alderman Pates ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs and Yarnold. They recommended as follows:-

(a) Princes Street—That the footpath on each side of this street at its junction with Victoria Terrace be repaired with asphalt.

(b) College Road—That the tree outside Gainsborough be thinned out.

(c) Overton Road—That six lime trees, two chestnut and one acacia be removed, and that a lime tree be planted.

(d) Priory Terrace—That some concrete posts be placed on the grass verge near the entrance to Highbury Church as suggested by the Borough Electrical Engineer.

RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

4—**Requisitions, Stores and Plant Sub-Committee**--Reported meeting on the 20th inst. Present—The Mayor (in the chair) and Councillor Yarnold. 239 tenders were received. It was recommended that the tenders of the following firms be accepted at the prices contained in the Schedules .—

Castings—John Needham & Sons Ltd., and E. Preston Ltd.

Cement—Sharpe & Fisher (1924) Ltd.

Disinfectants—Adcocks Ltd., Dussek Bros. & Co. Ltd., U.C.A.L., Voxsan Ltd.

Electric Light Fittings—L. Andrews & Co., Sharpe & Fisher (1924) Ltd., Siemens Electric Lamps and Supplies Ltd.

Household Goods and Sundries—Cheltenham Workshops for the Blind, Briggs Emmott & Co. Ltd., W. Brown, W. M. Delf & Co., The Park Royal Polish Co. Ltd., Drake & Co., John Fisher & Sons Ltd., T. W. Harvey & Sons Ltd., Jackson & Painter, Johns & Sons, E. Joyner & Son, The Premiere Polish Co. Ltd., Pryke Palmer Ltd., Sanitas Co. Ltd., Sharpe & Fisher (1924) Ltd., U.C.A.L., E. L. Ward Ltd., Yates & Co. Ltd.

India Rubber Goods—Pryke & Palmer Ltd., George McLellan & Co., L. Andrews & Co.

Ironmongery—George Bence & Sons Ltd., John Fisher & Sons Ltd., Pryke & Palmer Ltd., A. C. Woodrow & Co., Hardypick Ltd., Sharpe & Fisher (1924) Ltd.

Lead Pipes and Fittings—John Fisher & Sons Ltd., Sharpe & Fisher (1924) Ltd., A. C. Woodrow & Co., Pryke & Palmer Ltd.,

Lime, Bricks, etc.—George Bence & Sons Ltd., Sharpe & Fisher (1924) Ltd., Webb Bros. Ltd.

Printing and Stationery—W. H. L. Brasher, F. C. Dodwell & Sons, Norman Sawyer & Co. Ltd., B. C. Gillham & Son, Harvey & Healing, Chas. Knight & Co. Ltd.

Stoneware Pipes—George Bence & Sons Ltd.

Timber—Smith Bros., B. F. Collingridge Ltd., Sharpe & Fisher (1924) Ltd.

Tools—John Fisher & Sons Ltd., Hardypick Ltd., Pryke & Palmer Ltd., Sharpe & Fisher (1924) Ltd., John Yates & Co. Ltd.

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Uniforms and Overalls—The Famous, C. Watts, J. W. Curry & Co.

White Lead, Oils and Colours—George Bence & Sons Ltd., S. J. Harrison Ltd., John Fisher & Sons Ltd., Henry Matthews & Co. Ltd. Merrylees & Pugh & Co. Ltd., Middleton Bros. Ltd., Pryke & Palmer Ltd., Sir W. A. Rose & Co. Ltd., Rowe Bros. & Co. Ltd., Sharpe & Fisher (1924) Ltd., Thelwall & Co. Ltd., Stevens & Co

Wrought Iron, Steel and Files—John Fisher & Sons Ltd., Pryke & Palmer Ltd., Stringer Bros. Ltd.

5—Streamer Across Colonnade—Read, letters from the British Hospitals Air Pageants for permission to display banners across the public highway advertising their display to be given at Brockworth Aerodrome in aid of local hospitals, RESOLVED, That permission be given to display a banner across the Colonnade for two days to be arranged in June subject to the usual conditions.

6—Projecting Signs—RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs. John Fisher & Sons to alter their existing sign at their premises in Winchcomb Street to an illuminated sign be granted, subject to the usual conditions.

7—Royal Hotel—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to an agreement with Trust Houses Limited for the construction of a manhole and gully in the footpath in High Street outside the Royal Hotel.

8—Sky Sign—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from the Albany Ward Theatres Ltd. for permission to erect a sky sign on the roof of the New Gaumont Palace, RESOLVED, That the Company be informed that under the Public Health Acts (Amendment Act), 1907, adopted by the Corporation, the erection of sky signs is prohibited.

9—Highways Department—Sweepers—The Committee further considered the application from the Cheltenham and District Trades Council for variation in the hours of employment of the sweepers, and the Borough Surveyor reported interview which he had had with some of the men concerned. RESOLVED, That no alteration be made in the summer hours, but that the winter hours be altered and fixed as follows :—Mondays to Fridays 7.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4.30 p.m., and Saturdays 7.30 a m. to 1 p.m.

10—Empty Haulage Charges—Read, circular from the Secretary of the Association of Private Owners of Railway Rolling Stock, asking the Corporation to adopt the scale of commutation for Railway Companies' charges for the conveyance of empty privately owned wagons. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to adopt the scale to come into force as from 1st January, 1933.

11—St. George's Street—Read, report of the Borough Surveyor of damage to the footpath on the 2nd instant by a lorry belonging to Messrs. McCutchen. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for the cost of making good the damage estimated at 15s

12—Tewkesbury Road—Read, report of the Borough Surveyor of damage to a tree on the 11th instant by a trailer belonging to Mr. C. A. Corbett. RESOLVED, That the sum of 10s be accepted in payment of the damage.

13—Winchcomb Street—The View Committee reported that they had inspected the footpath adjoining the new Gaumont Palace, and recommended that the Council should agree to pave the land coloured blue on the plan now submitted to be given up by the Company for the widening of the footpath subject to the Company agreeing to pay for the cost of the work, namely kerbing, paving and carriageway as agreed upon. With regard to the canopy over the footpath, the View Committee recommended that this should be approved subject to the usual agreement being entered into with the Company, to maintain this in good repair.

RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted

14—Petrol Pump—Pittville Gates Garage—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. E. C. Atkinson for permission to re-erect at the Pittville Gates Garage, 10 Pittville Place, two petrol pumps with swing arms over the footpath he granted subject to the usual agreement being entered into.

H. TRYE, Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 23rd February, 1933, Present—Councillors Lt-Col. Bias Dr. Hayward, Scott Langley, Morris, E. L. Ward and Yarnold ; Major Shakespeare, Messrs. W. Harris and W. Wiggett (Councillor E. L. Ward in the chair).

1—Plans of New Buildings—(a) The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings, namely :—

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
3460	Ebdon, J.	Conversion of part of house into a smaller one, Belgrave House, Montpellier Terrace.
3461	Billings, A. C. & Sons Ltd.	Conversion of stables into house, Rothesay Mansions, Albert Road.
3462	Dodwell, F. C. & Sons	New office, 333 High Street,
3463	Barlow, A. H.	Motor house, Fulshaw Lodge, Christchurch Road.
3464	Henderson, Lt.-Col. S. H.	Motor house, St. Keverne, Christchurch Road.
3465	Barnard, L. W.	Conversion of house into offices, 9 Royal Well Terrace, St. George's Road.
3466	Swann, R. E. C.	Additions, Jordans, Moorend Park Road.
3467	Bush, F. E.	Drive-in for cars, Montpellier Spa Hotel, Lansdown Crescent.
3468	Waite, B. A.	Conversion of storehouse into dwellinghouse, Upper Bath Street,
3469	Gibbons, Mr.	Motor house, Argyle Road.
3470	Hawkins, G. A.	Conversion of one house into two, Battledown Approach.
3471	Foulkes, D.	Additions and alterations, Littlecote, Hewlett Road.
3472	U.C.A.L.	Workshop and store, Corpus Street.
3473	Wheeler & Mansell Ltd.	Preliminary site plan for 35 houses, Hatherley Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 3462, 3463, 3466, 3467, 3468, 3469, 3471 and 3472 be approved ; That Plans Nos. 3460 and 3465 be approved subject to the drainage and sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, and in the case of Plan No. 3460, subject also to the party wall being carried up to the underside of the slates ; That Plan No. 3473 be approved subject to the front fence being set back 25 feet from the centre of the road, and that the building line be 20 feet from the road ; and That Plans Nos. 3461, 3464 and 3470 be not approved.

(b) Plan No. 3424—Rebuilding of 19 Portland Street—RESOLVED, That Mr. A. A. Williams be permitted to . continue the rebuilding of these premises in accordance with the plans submitted, subject to the removal of the pilaster which encroaches on the footpath.

(c) Plan No. 3454—The Town Clerk submitted letters from four residents on the Pittville Estate objecting to the erection of seven houses in Evesham Road contrary to the Pittville Estate covenants.

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.
411	H.M. Office of Works	Telephone Exchange, Prestbury Road.
412	Bendall, H. A.	Amended elevation of cottage, Little Shurdington.
413	Ames, A. G. E.	Detached house, Warden Hill Road.
414	Bendall, A. C.	Bungalow, lane leading from Kidnapper's Lane to Leckhampton Farm.
415	Cooke, P. J.	House, Tewkesbury Road, Uckington.
416	Elwes, Mrs.	Additions, Tower Lodge, Leckhampton Hill.

417	Bendall, H. A.	Two detached houses, Badgeworth Lane, Nr. Shurdington,
418	Stott, W.	Billiard Room, Tuskar House, Evesham Road, Bishops Cleeve.
419	Shawford, E.	4 houses, Russell's Piece, Boddington.
420	Richardson, Capt. T. L.	Layout for 26 houses, Little Herberts Lane, Charlton Kings.
421	Stannard, G.	Development, Newlands, Evesham Road.

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RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 411, 412, 415, 416, 417, 418 and 419 be approved ; That Plan No. 413 be approved subject to the building being set back to the building line, and to the owner entering into an undertaking to set back the front fence to the prescribed improvement line if and when required by the Road Authority ; That Plan No. 414 be approved subject to the owner setting back the front fence 18 feet from the centre of the road ; That Plan No. 420 be approved subject to provision of a road foundation nine inches thick ; and That Plan No. 421 be adjourned to the next meeting.

3—Karenza Estate—Read, letter of 21st inst. from Messrs. Eckersall & Watterson, enquiring whether there would be any objection to the stabling on the Karenza Estate being converted for use as a laundry. RESOLVED, That they be informed that the Committee see no objection to the proposal providing the conversion is carried out in accordance with plans submitted and approved by the Committee, and on the condition that no nuisance would be caused to the neighbourhood by reason of noise, smoke fumes, or any other cause, and also subject to the road being widened to 36 feet.

4—Elevations of Buildings—Read, letter of 1st inst. from the Council for the Preservation of Rural England (Gloucestershire Branch), that Mr. A. Linton Iredale had now been appointed the 3rd member of the proposed Advisory Committee.

5—Park Estate, Prestbury—Read, letter of 11th inst. from the County Surveyor that as suggested, the County Council had approved the development scheme of this land on condition that the boundary fence along the land on the east side of the property should be set back a distance of 18 feet from the centre of the road, and that the land between the existing fence and the new frontage line should be thrown into the highway. RESOLVED, That the Committee approve of this, and that a copy of the conditions be attached to any building plans submitted for this estate.

E. L. WARD,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 17th February, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Pates and Sawyer, Councillors Lipson, Pruen, P. Smith, Waite and Weech ; Messrs. E. J. Burrow and J. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair).

1—Advertising—Mr. E. J. Burrow reported he had arranged with the L.M.S. and G.W. Railway Companies to join in the scheme of advertising for next year. The Companies were willing to contribute 15s for every pound spent by the Corporation in advertising up to a maximum to be spent

by the Corporation of £500. The Companies were willing for the Corporation to supervise the advertisements. In addition to the £500 to be spent on the joint scheme it would be necessary to provide £100 for contracts already incurred with various Holiday Guides, and £100 for any special advertising during the year. RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved, except that the £500 allocated for the Railway advertising scheme be reduced if necessary to provide for a weekly paragraph in the "Daily Telegraph."

2—Spa Baths—(a) Medical Baths—Read, Monthly Report of the Superintendent.

(b) Swimming Bath—(i)- RESOLVED, That Miss Smith be re-engaged as Ladies' Swimming Bath Attendant at these Baths for the summer season at a salary of 27s 6d a week.

(ii) RESOLVED, That the Swimming Bath be opened on 13th March, and that season tickets be issued for the full period of opening as last year.

(iii) Central School—The Superintendent submitted application from the Central School Swimming Association for their scholars to be admitted during the time when Alstone Baths were not open at a reduced charge of 3d. per scholar. RESOLVED, That the application be granted.

(c) Tickets—The Town Clerk reported that the District Auditor suggested that a more effective check on the receipts at these Baths and Alstone Baths should be made. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that the Entertainments Sub-Committee be asked to meet at the Baths to consider the matter.

3—Town Hall—(a) Conference—RESOLVED, That the free use of the Supper Room be granted for a Conference of the Gloucester Scout Council to be held on 28th and 29th October next.

(b) Statuary—Councillor Weech reported that the Art Gallery and Museum Committee had received an offer of a piece of statuary called " Carmen " from Mrs. Sarsfield Walsh, but that there was no accommodation at the Art Gallery for this, and it was suggested that this might be placed in the Town Hall. RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Councillor Weech be authorised to inspect and accept the gift if a suitable position can be found for this in the Town Hall.

4—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Report of the Entertainments Sub-Committee at their Meeting held on 6th February.

They recommended (inter alia) as follows :—

(a) Montpellier Pavilion—The Entertainments Sub-Committee reported that Miss Gwen Lewis had agreed to take the Pavilion for 12 weeks from 3rd July on the terms approved by the Council at their January meeting.

(b) Boxing—That as Capt. Prince Cox was not prepared to promote any more tournaments this season, that the boxing tournaments terminate on 27th February.

(c) Winter Dance Band—The Sub-Committee considered four tenders for the provision of next Winter Season's Dance Band and Morning Quintet. Mr. Peter Fielding submitted alternative tenders namely (1) for the provision of a band, for £45 a week (being the same as for present season), and (2) £55 per week for dance band of eight to play as often as may be required for dances or concerts

(including quintet for morning concerts), the Corporation to have sole control over the Band and to be at liberty to let out the band either for dances at the Town Hall or for dances etc. elsewhere, and to retain all receipts from such bookings The Sub-Committee recommend that the latter offer be accepted subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into, and that the Band be engaged from the 14th October next to the 7th April 1934.

(d) Town Hall—That the free use of the Town Hall on a date to be arranged be granted to Mr. Peter Fielding and his Band for their annual Benefit Dance as in previous years.

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

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5—Electricity Works—Proposed Baths—The Town Clerk submitted report of the Sub-Committee appointed by the Education and Electricity Committees who had inspected the cooling ponds at these works, and recommended that the Borough Engineer and the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to prepare a complete scheme and estimate for converting the ponds into a swimming pool, including estimate for a temporary scheme to enable one or more of the ponds to be converted so as to be available this summer, RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

6—Winter Garden—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of the Secretary of the Boxing Tournament to be held at the Winter Garden on the 8th March for permission to erect a tent for refreshments on the gravel at the Winter Garden be granted.

(b) RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare an estimate of the cost of the removal of the bandstand and construction of the roads etc. necessary in connection with the proposed Ice Rink etc. at the Winter Garden.

7—Conference of British Health Resorts—Read, circulars inviting the attendance of delegates to the Annual Conference of this Association to be held at Bath on the 4th March. RESOLVED, That the Mayor, the Chairman, Dr. Howell and the Town Clerk be appointed to attend.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 24th February, 1933. Present—Alderman Pates; Councillors Lipson, Thomas, Waite and Weech ; Messrs. H. W. Bennett, E. J. Burrow and J. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair).

8—Montpellier Gardens—Gates—The Borough Surveyor reported that no appreciable damage was now being done to the tennis courts by persons crossing the same. RESOLVED, That the corner gates be kept open for the present.

9--Spa Baths—(a) The **Medical Baths Sub-Committee** reported that they had met on the 24th instant, and recommended that the sum of £100 should be provided in the estimates for advertising these Baths. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be not approved.

(b) The **Entertainments Sub-Committee** reported that they had inspected these Baths and considered the suggestion of the District Auditor in regard to the checking of the receipts, and recommended that a box for cancelled tickets should be placed immediately adjoining the slipper bath office, and that the tickets be cancelled immediately upon issue, and that one half be placed in the cancelled ticket box, and the other retained by the customer. They also recommended that a turnstile should be erected at the swimming bath entrance. RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

(c) Diving Stage—The Superintendent reported that a new diving stage was required for these baths. RESOLVED, That the sum of £35 be included in the estimates for this.

(d) Alstone Baths—RESOLVED, That the Borough Treasurer be asked to submit his suggestions for improvement in the checking of the receipts at these Baths as suggested by the District Auditor.

10—Town Hall—(a) Show Case--RESOLVED, That the offer of Messrs. C. & P. James Ltd. to pay £3 3s. 0d. per annum as from 1st January last for the right to place a show case in the Ladies' Cloakroom be accepted subject to the case being removed at any time on three months notice.

(b) Conference—The Entertainments Manager reported that the Local Labour Party were endeavouring to obtain the Women's Labour Party Conference for Cheltenham in 1934. RESOLVED, That the free use of the Town Hall be offered for the Conference.

11—Mixed Bathing--The Committee further considered the provision of public mixed bathing facilities at Alstone and Montpellier Baths. RESOLVED, That for a trial period of one month public mixed bathing be provided on Monday afternoons at Montpellier Baths and on an afternoon to be arranged with the Superintendent at Alstone Baths.

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12—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Report of the Sub-Committee of their Meeting held on the 20th instant. They recommended (inter alia):-

(a) Cabaret—That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to engage a Cabaret for 11th March at a charge of £6 6s. 0d.

(b) Summer Orchestra—The Sub-Committee had considered six tenders received for the provision of Quintet, Quartet, Octet and Orchestra for the Summer Season, and recommended the Committee to accept the following tenders subject, in each case, to agreements to be prepared by the Town Clerk, being entered into :—

QUARTET-From 24th April up to and including 14th October—Mr. Horace Teague, £10, this sum to include Mr. Teague's personal services as leader.

OCTET-From 3rd to 30th June (inclusive), afternoons and evenings, including Sundays—Mr. Arthur Cole, £40 per week.

OCTET AND ORCHESTRA-1st July to 3rd September (inclusive), Octet on afternoons of weekdays, and Orchestra every evening and Sunday afternoons—Mr. Arthur Cole, £68 per week.

Also that the offer of Mr. Dawes of Gloucester to provide a Military Band on Whit Saturday evening, Whit Sunday evening and Whit Monday morning and evening at a cost of £36 be accepted.

RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 14th February, 1933, Present—The Mayor, Alderman Moore; Councillors Scott Langley, E. L. Ward and J. F. Ward (Alderman Moore in the chair).

1—Electricity Works—Plant—Nine tenders were received for the disused machinery and plant at the Electricity Works RESOLVED, That these be referred to the Borough Electrical Engineer for consideration and report.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 27th February, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor' Alderman Moore ; Councillors Scott Langley, Waite and F. Ward (Alderman Moore in the chair),

2—Electricity Works—Sale of Plant—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had considered the tenders received for the plant at the Electricity Works, and recommended that the offer of the Midland Iron and Hardware, Co. (Cradley Heath) Ltd. of £2251 (being the highest offer received) be accepted. RESOLVED, That the offer of the Midland Iron and Hardware Co. be accepted.

3—District Joint Industrial Council and District Joint Board—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be nominated representative of the Undertaking on the Employers' side of the District Joint Industrial Council No. 6 (West of England Area), and that the Chairman be nominated representative of the Undertaking on the Employers side on the District Joint Board No. 6 (West of England Area) both for the year ending 31st March, 1934.

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4—Electricity Department—Accounts—With reference to the billing machines inspected by the Committee some time ago, the Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the Borough Treasurer and he had now decided to recommend that a Class 7 Billing Machine be purchased from Messrs. Burroughs Adding Machine Ltd. at a cost of £516 15s. 0d. RESOLVED, That a machine be purchased as recommended,

5—Public Lighting—(a) Bath Road—The Borough Electrical Engineer recommended that 16 lamp standards in this road from the Norwood Arms to the High Street should be equipped with modern lanterns, each fitted with a 300 watt lamp instead of 200 watt as at present, at a total estimated cost of £44 17s. 2d He also recommended that a new transformer pit should be placed in the footpath at

the corner of Thirlestaine Road to supply the corner lamp, the traffic signal, and to improve the pressure of the lamps along Thirlestaine Road, at an estimated cost of £12 2s. 8d. He further recommended that two lamps situated near the junction of Bath Road and Oriel Road should be replaced by three new lamp standards and modern fittings at an estimated cost of £71 10s. 3d. RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

(b) Evesham Road —The Borough Electrical Engineer recommended that the lighting of Evesham Road from Wellington Road to the Borough Boundary should be improved, by replacing the existing seven small lamp standards' with ten larger standards with arms projecting over the roadway, and by increasing the size of the lamps to 200 watts, at a total estimated cost of £136 5s. 9d. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

6—Supply to Rural Areas—(a) The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted scheme for an extension of the supply from Leckhampton Church through Shurdington and Badgeworth to the Reddings and proceeding through Bamfurlong, Golden Valley and the Corporation Sewage Works to the existing sub-station at Haydon's Elm. The total estimated cost of the scheme was £8,221. The total length would be about 7 ½ miles of extra high tension line and four miles of low tension line. Of this length of 11 ½ miles, six miles would consist of overhead construction and 5 ½ miles of underground cable. He also submitted estimate of the probable revenue to be derived during each of the first three years, based on a canvass of the whole district. One of the advantages of the scheme was that the connection with the existing lines at Haydon's Elm and Leckhampton Church would provide an alternative supply not only to the new section in Shurdington and Badgeworth, but to the existing overhead extensions to Arle, Uckington and Staverton, and for this reason he recommended that the Committee should consider the scheme as a whole and not carry it out in two sections.

RESOLVED, (a) That application be made to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to a loan of £8,221 for the cost of carrying out the scheme : (b) That application be made to the Ministry of Transport for consent to the placing of overhead lines under Section 10 (b) of the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act, 1899, and also that application be made for the consents of the local authorities concerned, and that the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to obtain the necessary wayleaves for the laying of cables, and erection of lines, and for payment of compensation for removal of any trees ; (c) That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to prepare specification and obtain tenders for the overhead line portion of the scheme, including sub-station equipment consisting of switch gear and transformers.

(b) Bushcombe Lane—Read. letter of 16th inst. from the Ministry of Transport consenting to the placing of overhead lines in the parish of Woodmancote for the supply to this lane, the consent to be subject to the requirements as to Overhead Lines made by the Electricity Commissioners on the 22nd May, 1931, and the Minister reserved the right to review the situation at any time after the expiration of five years.

7—G.W.R. Bridge, High Street to Stoneville Street—RESOLVED, That notice be given to the G.W.R. Co. terminating the agreement entered into with them on the 6th April, 1916, for the laying of a cable along this bridge as the cable has now been removed.

8--Damage to Lamp Standard----It was reported that on the 26th ult. a lamp standard in this road was knocked down by a Post Office Mail Van, and the Town Clerk reported that he had arranged

with the Post Office to settle the claim for making good the damage on a payment of £6. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

9—Assessment of Undertaking--RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk and Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to give notice for the reassessment of the Undertaking in view of the closing of the Generating Station if they consider this desirable.

10—Gas Tests—Read, reports of Gas Tests made on the 2nd, 6th, 12th and 17th inst., which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 472.4, 474.7, 470.3, 478.6 B.Th.U. respectively, and the Pressure 5.4, 5.2, 7 and 5.2 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 14th February, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Aldermen Margrett and Pates ; Councillors Dr. Hayward and Scott Langley (Alderman Margrett in the chair). great

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days ended 13th February, 1933.	Average for corresponding Period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	463,000 gallons	497,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	1,423,000 "	1,257,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	82,000	80,000 "
Total	1,968,000	1,834,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	13th February, 1933.		13th February, 1932.	
Hewletts		15,822,000 gallons		28,546,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	28ft. 9ins.	83,262,000	30ft. 10in.	93,897,000
Leckhampton	12ft. 0ins	1,620,000	12ft. 0ins.	1,620,000
Total Storage		100,704,000		124,063,000

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

3—Tewkesbury Waterworks—The Borough Engineer submitted five tenders received for about 15 to 18 tons of scrap iron at these works, RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. J. Small of 32s 6d. per ton be accepted.

4—Dowdeswell Reservoir—(a) RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer be authorised to purchase 1,000 yearling trout for the sedimentation basin, and that no fishing be allowed in this basin for two years.

(b) Read, report of damage to fence on 17th ult., and the Town Clerk reported that the claim had been settled under a halving agreement with the Royal Insurance Company Ltd. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

5—Pipes—Eight tenders were received for the supply of cast iron pipes and specials for the ensuing year RESOLVED, That the schedule of prices submitted by Messrs, Cochrane & Co. (Woodside) Ltd. of Dudley be accepted, subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

6—Salts Farm—Read, letter from Messrs. Tayler, Fletcher & Villar, enclosing notice on behalf of Mr. L. G. Dunn for revision of the rent of this farm. Mr. C. C. Castle attended in reference thereto. RESOLVED, That Mr. Castle be authorised to arrange terms as now settled by the Committee.

7—Dowdeswell Wood—Underwood—RESOLVED, That Mr. Castle be authorised to sell by auction about ten acres of underwood.

8—Vacant Land—Mr. Castle attended in regard to the land formerly in the occupation of Mr. Mills and the late Mr. Burroughs, which the widow now desired to give up. RESOLVED, That he be authorised to let both the plots of land under one tenancy.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 21st February, 1933. Present—Aldermen Margrett, Moore, Pates and Sawyer ; Councillors Pruen, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Margrett in the chair),

1—Diseases Amongst Animals—Superintendent Wayman reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

2—Fire Brigade--The Captain reported that since the last meeting the brigade had attended the following outbreaks of fire

Date.	Place	Cause	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
27th January 3	St. Paul's Road	Defective fireplace	Slight	£3 9s. 6d.
14th February	16 Imperial Square	Defective chimney	Slight	£4 15s. 6d.
15th February	The Blind Institute, Winchcomb Street	Not apparent	£100	£5 19s. 0d.

3—Hackney Carriage Licence—Transfer—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. H. Taylor for the transfer of Licence No 1 to Hackney Carriage Registered No. HIV 829 be granted.

4--Marle Hill House—The Borough Surveyor reported that he estimated the cost of providing two sets of unclimbable iron field gates and footpath crossings for the fields on each side of the entrance drive at £12 RESOLVED, That he be instructed to have these provided.

5—Municipal Offices—Heating—RESOLVED, That £50 be included in the estimates for provision of additional sections for replacement in respect of the boiler at these offices, and for enlarging the heating pipes at the extreme ends of the system,

6--Hospital Boxing Tournament —Read, letter of 6th inst. from the Hon. Secretary of the Hospital Boxing Tournament Committee, asking the Council for a donation towards the expenses of organisation of the Boxing Tournament to be held on the 8th March in aid of the General Hospital. RESOLVED, That the application be not acceded to

(b) Parking Arrangements—RESOLVED, That Superintendent Wayman be authorised to make the necessary arrangements for the parking of cars on the evening of the Boxing Tournament.

7—Superannuation—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Public Health Committee, That the services of J. Lydiard, Disinfecter Van Driver, be extended for five months expiring on the 9th August next.

8—Cinematograph Licence—Gaumont Palace—RESOLVED, That the Sub-Committee be asked to inspect the new picture house before the issue of licence.

9—Petrol-Spirit Conveyance Regulations, 1932--The Town Clerk submitted circular from the Home Office enclosing copy of the new Regulations for the conveyance of petroleum spirit by road, which came into force on the 1st inst. and superseded the Regulations of 1926 and 1927.

10—Traffic Commissioners—Read, circular of 14th inst. from the Ministry of Transport, setting out the names of the persons appointed as Traffic Commissioners. The Mayor had been appointed a Deputy Commissioner.

11—Petrol Licences—RESOLVED, That the applications of Messrs. E. C. Atkinson, E. A. Beston and J. Townsend, for licences to store 1,000 gallons, 500 gallons, and 500 gallons, in underground storage tanks at 10 Pittville Place, Winchcomb Street, St. James' Garage, and Rippledale Orchard, Hatherley Road respectively, be granted.

12—Borough Arms—The Town Clerk submitted correspondence with a local firm who had used the Borough Arms in press advertisements, and reported that the firm in question had now undertaken not to do so again.

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13—Enlargement of Town Council—The Committee considered further memorandum prepared by the Town Clerk in regard to the proposed petition for the enlargement of the Town Council. RESOLVED, That the Council recommended to approve of the following scheme, and that the Common Seal be affixed to a petition to be made the Privy Council in pursuance of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1883 and 1893, and the Borough Councillor (Alterations of Numbers) Act, 1925 :—

SCHEME.

Proposed Ward.	Comprising Polling Districts.	No. of Local Government Electors.
St. Peter's	A.1.	598
"	A.2.	1,122
"	C.	<u>966</u>
		2,686.
St. Paul's	B.	1,567
"	D.	<u>1,730</u>
		3,297.
Pittville	E.1.	812
"	E.2.	576
"	F.1.	<u>1,648</u>
		3,036.
All Saints'	F.2.	616
"	G.	1,058
"	H.	<u>881</u>
		2,555.
College	I.	1,556
"	J.	<u>1,187</u>
		2,743.
Naunton	K.	1,702
"	M.	<u>1,491</u>
		3,193.
Spa	L.	1,000
"	O.	1,750
"	Add portion of "P" East of Railway	<u>493</u>
		3,243.
St. Mark's	N.	1,357
"	P.	<u>2,094</u>
		3,451
"	Deduct portion of " P " added to " O "	<u>493</u>
		2,958.
	Total	<u>23,711</u>
	Average	2,964

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Chairman

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ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 13th February, 1933, Present—Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Morris, P. T. Smith; and Mr. F. W. Clarkson (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Allotment No. 46 Rainbow Field—Read, application from the tenant of this allotment for a reduction in the rent owing to the bad state of the ground. RESOLVED, That the rent be reduced to 15s per annum.

2—Allotments Nos. 9a and 11 Albert Road—Read, application from Mrs. Staple asking the Committee to release her from her tenancy of these allotments owing to the death of her husband, RESOLVED, That she be released as from 1st January last.

3—North Ward and Alma Road Allotments—The Committee further considered the provision of a water supply to the allotments. RESOLVED, That the Committee cannot recommend that this be provided having regard to the cost.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 13th February, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, P. T. Smith and Waite (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Marle Hill Annexe—The Borough Surveyor reported that on the night of the 5th inst., the workmen's but at Marle Hill Annexe was broken into, two locks forced, a number of files, a bucketful of maize and a pair of riding boots stolen, and that the matter had been reported to the Police.

2—Naunton Park Recreation Ground—Damage to Goal Posts—Read, report of the Gardens Superintendent of damage caused to a set of goal posts at this recreation ground on the 21st ult. by five youths. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to youths for payment of 12s 6d. for the cost of making good the damage, failing which proceedings be taken against them.

3—Pittville Gardens—West Bridge—The Borough Surveyor reported that the stone bridge at Pittville Lake adjoining Evesham Road needed strengthening, which could be done by putting a reinforced arch on top of the old stone arch, at an estimated cost of £90. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to obtain tenders for carrying out the work.

4—Recreation Grounds—Sunday Morning Opening—The Committee further considered the question of the Sunday morning opening of the Recreation Grounds, RESOLVED, That the present practice of opening the recreation grounds to the public on Sunday mornings be continued for the present.

5—Conference—Read, circular of the 23rd ult. from the Association of Superintendents of Parks and Botanic Gardens, inviting the attendance of delegates to their Annual Conference to be held at Torquay on the 17th, 18th and 19th May next. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

6—St. Mark's Recreation Ground—Hard Tennis Courts—Read, letter of 11th inst. from the Brooklyn Lawn Tennis Club, applying for a reduction in the rent of the two hard courts. RESOLVED, That the

Committee are unable to make any reduction, but that the courts be let to the Club on the same terms as last year.

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7—Football Pitches—St. Mark's Recreation Ground—Read, letter of 10th inst. from the Secretary of Smiths Systems A.F.C. that they were unable to complete their fixtures by the end of February, and asking if the Committee allow them to play two matches during March. RESOLVED, That the application be granted.

8—Attendants Uniform—The Committee considered the provision of summer uniforms for the Park Custodians at an estimated cost of £20. RESOLVED, That provision be made for these in the estimates.

9—Cricket Pitches—RESOLVED, That permission be given for the following Clubs to play Cricket on the Recreation Grounds during the 1933 season.

Recreation Ground.	Name of Club.	Day of Club.
Agg-Gardner ...	Templars Cricket Club ...	Alternate Saturdays.
“	Bennington Hall Cricket Club	Tuesday Evenings.
Whaddon Road	Labour Hall Cricket Club ...	Alternate Saturdays.
“,	Wesley Sunday School Cricket Club ...	“ “
St. Mark's	Marle Hill Cricket Club	“ “
“	Municipal Officers' Guild Cricket Club	“ “
“	St. Stephen's Cricket Club ...	“ “
Naunton Park	Naunton Park Cricket Club ..	“ “

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.

10—Albert Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted complaint from Col. Graham of the damage caused by horses being ridden on the grass verge, and the Town Clerk reported that he had drawn the attention of the Police to the matter.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 17th February, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Dr. Curling Hayward and Weech ; Dr. R. Davies ; and Messrs. F. B. de Sausmarez and C. R. Mapp (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—Visits-4,297 (against 2,837). Receipts—Catalogues 1s ; Postcards 1s 5d. "Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund" £2 12s. 2d.

Exhibition—An Exhibition of Works by members of the Royal Society of British Artists had been opened on the 8th February and would remain on view until 4th March.

2—Donations—From Miss Beaumont, dress stand ; Captain F. W. Brill, Cotswold Dog Fox ; Mr. F. B. de Sausmarez. Frog Mug of Sunderland ware ; Mr. J. Huges, Carthaginian Coin found at Charlton Kings, Coin Weight found at Twynning ; Mr. C. R. Mapp, two Egyptian specimens, pocket knife Captain Owen Wheeler, two Essence Bottles Bristol Glass, c1750 ; Mr. Tom Wright, Cheltenham Token, c1660.

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

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3—Statue of " Carmen "—The Chairman and Councillor Dr. Curling Hayward reported on their inspection of this marble Statue offered as a gift by Mrs. Sarsfield Walsh. RESOLVED, That the matter be referred to the Town Improvement and Spa Committee, as owing to the limited space it would difficult to show such a piece in the Art Gallery.

4—Filing Cabinet—RESOLVED, That this Committee bear one half (£4 15s. 0d.) of the cost of a new Filing Cabinet.

5—Pictures for Supper Room—The Minute of the Town Improvement Committee asking if any suitable pictures could be made available for the Supper Room was The Curator reported that certain pictures could be made available, but that it would be impracticable for them to be hung over the existing radiators. The removal of gas brackets would make certain wall space available. RESOLVED, That these observations be submitted to the Town Improvement Committee.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 24th February, 1933. Present—Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Thomas and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of the Superintendent for the period from 28th January to 24th February, 1933. Interments 111. Grave Spaces sold 28 (First Position 3, Third Position 1, Fourth Position 24); Memorials erected 9; New Inscriptions 9.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8722 to 8749.

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following Designs be approved :—Cross, Base and Kerbing to grave of Ellen Georgina Mary Perreau ; Cross and Base to grave of Annie Alice Cairns Kerbing and Posts to graves of Agnes A. Crook, Sarah Ann Fisher, and Henry Wood ; Kerbing to graves of Celia Ann Cannon, Ethel E. Ford, and Harry Weaver and Helena Minnie Weaver ; Scroll to existing Kerbing to grave of Reginald Joseph Ryland

4-Cemetery Lodge—It was reported that the electricity main had now been extended past the Cemetery. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have electricity installed at the lodge at an estimated cost of £25 for which provision had been made in next year's estimates.

5—Maintenance of Grave—Read, letter from Messrs. Thorne, Owles & Neale, enquiring on what terms the Corporation would undertake the maintenance of Grave Space 11030 Section T. RESOLVED, That they be informed that the Corporation are willing to undertake to maintain the grave in perpetuity in consideration of a lump sum of £50.

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

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WINTER GARDEN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 8th February, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Councillors Lipson Pruen, Waite, J. F. Ward and Weech ; Messrs. E. Baring and J. Howell (Councillor Weech in the chair):

1—Winter Garden—Plans—Mr. T. Overbury attended and reported that he had suggested to Mr. Wilkins a revision of the plans so as to bring the dressing boxes and lavatory accommodation of the Swimming Bath to the side of the building along the back of the Town Hall instead of being on the front of the building, and he submitted sketch plan showing the suggested revision. Mr. Wilkins was willing to adopt the suggestion and was preparing revised plans. RESOLVED, That the Committee approve of Mr. Overbury's recommendation for the revision of the plan,

W. N. WEECH,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 9th February, 1933. Present—Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Lipson, Weech and Yarnold ; Rev. Barbara Thomas ; Dr. R. Davies; Messrs. H. J. Norris, E. C. Rogers F. Vernall and C. E. Walsh (Councillor Weech in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Receipts £23 0s. 4d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 5,844 (last year 6,551) ; Lending Department 18,181 (last year 19,466) Junior Department 2,933 (last year 3,634). Total for the month 26,958 (last year 29,651). Binding and Replacements—During the month 33 volumes had been replaced and 405 volumes dispatched to the Binder.

Lectures—The following lectures had taken place in the Art Gallery :—

January 9th Mr. T. Hannam-Clark, " Gloucestershire Dialect and Folklore in Speech and Song. (Attendance 169).

January 16th Mr. William Bellows, "With a Camera in the Alps." (Attendance 182).

January 30th Mr. C. W. Hawkes, "Bookcrafts for Schools." (Attendance 83 , arranged by the Cheltenham Teachers' Association).

February 2nd . Mr. G. S. Heaven, " Artificial Silk and Cellulose Products." (Attendance 70 ; arranged by the Cheltenham Science Society).

February 6th Mr. Gui St. Bernard, "This Art Business." (Attendance 147).

Shelving—Further shelving for the storage of bound newspapers had been fitted at a cost of £8.

Heating—A single-bar electric fire had been fitted at the Deputy Librarian's table at a cost of £1.

2—Staff—The Librarian reported that the following assistants had gained sectional certificates of the Library Association at the examinations held in December last :—Miss S. Jeffery, Literary History (holds 5 certificates) ; W. M. Martin, Cataloguing (holds 4 certificates); Miss M. Nealon, Library Organisation (holds 3 certificates); and Miss Dorothy E. Parry, Library Organisation (holds 5 certificates). RESOLVED, That the Librarian convey an expression of the Committee's appreciation to the assistants concerned.

3—Donations—Miss Bradish (2 boxes of books) ; Mr. Ed. J. Burrow (1 vol.); Messrs. Chambers (1 vol.); Mr. H. L. Howell (1 vol.) ; Incorporated Secretaries Association (1 vol.) ; Colonel M. J. King-Harman (6 vols.) ; Mrs. I. Littledale (350 vols.); Brig.-General Miles (1 vol.) ; Colonel R. R. H. Moore (1 vol.); Mr. E. J. Morris (1 vol.) Miss Penoyre (6 vols.); Mr. T. G. Phillips (1 vol.); Mr. Herbert Putnam (1 vol.); Mrs. F. E. Strange (2 vols.); Mr. C. E. Walsh (17 lantern slides) ; Captain R. P. Wild (25 vols.).

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

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4—Books—RESOLVED, (a) That 122 volumes published at £55 7s. 0d., be purchased for £32 5s. 11d.

(b) That 12 volumes, published at £18 10s. 6d. be purchased for £15 11s. 8d. out of the Leslie Young Fund.

(c) That the sum of £45 be spent on Binding.

(d) That the sum of £20 be spent on Replacements.

5—Cheltenham Esperanto Society—The Librarian reported the offer by this Society to present a small collection of Esperanto books to the Library, to made from time to time by the society.

RESOLVED, That the offer be accepted with thanks.

6—Periodicals—RESOLVED, (a) That the offer of the " 'the Cats Mews-Sheet," monthly, from Miss Garnham. accepted with thanks.

(b) RESOLVED, That " The New Clarion " be purchased instead of "The New Leader."

7—Teachers' Reference Library—The Librarian read letter from the Secretary of the Education stating that £10 would be spent on the Teachers' Reference Library.

8—Filing Cabinet--RESOLVED, That a Filing Cabinet he purchased for £9 10s. 0d., half of the cost to be paid by the Art Gallery Committee.

9—Co-operation with County Library—The Librarian read letter from the Secretary of the Gloucestershire Education Committee asking for an extension of facilities to adult readers in Prestbury on the same basis as already in force for Charlton Kings. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

10—Date of next Meeting—RESOLVED, That the next meeting of this Committee be held on April 6th.

11—Lectures—RESOLVED, That the Librarian consider and report as to the advisability of having lectures. at 8 p.m. instead of 7.30 p.m.

W. N. WEECH.

Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 24th February, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Dr. Hayward, Thomas and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Valuation Lists—The Committee report that they have held six meetings to settle the draft valuation lists.

2—Remission of Rates—The Committee interviewed and dealt with applications for the excusal of Rates.

P. P. TAYLOR.

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 28th February, 1933. Present—The Mayor; The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore Councillors Scott Langley, Pruen, Waite and E. L. Ward (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 25th inst., on the collection of the Second Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £98,548. Leaving outstanding £9,511.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 28th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 31st March, 1933. Amount collected £18,951. Leaving outstanding £2,247.

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

Date, 1932.	Purpose.	Amount.	Period of Repayment.
15th February	Waterworks, Tewkesbury	£12,135	20 years.
23rd February	32 houses at St. Mark's	£10,878	60 years.

4—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on 28th inst. Present—The Deputy Mayor and Councillor Waite.

The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

5—Loans—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £4,100 on loan. RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

6—Housing Bonds—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting £800 had been received for per cent Housing Bonds and that certificates had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

7—Superannuation—Read, letter of 15th inst., from the Ministry of Health, approving the resolution passed by the Trustees of the Delancey Hospital on the 12th May, 1932, designating as an established post for the purposes of the Act, the post of Medical Officer.

8—Rates Department—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. H. V. Webb, clerk in the Rates Office, for an increase in salary be granted, and that his salary be increased to £2 per week.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 30th March, 1933.

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 April, 1933, 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 Meeting.
2. Communications by the Mayor.
3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE ,, HOUSING COMMITTEE and to accept tender for reconditioning, etc., Nos. 5, 6 and 7 Portman Terrace.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE and to consider Report of Committee re conversion of cooling ponds at Electricity Works into a swimming pool. 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 RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE WATER AND STREET AND HIGHWAY JOINT COMMITTEE

4. GENERAL RATE-To make a General Rate for the ensuing year.
5. Application from Floral Fete Committee for Grant to Prize Fund.
6. 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, 6th March, 1933, at 3 p.m. Present :

The Mayor (Councillor Capt. John Henry Trye, C.B.E., R.N., J.P.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P.).

Aldermen Margrett, C.B.E., J.P., C.A., Moore, Pates, Sawyer and Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P. Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, O.B.E., Rev. de Courcy -Ireland, M.A., Dr. Hayward, M.B.E., M.B., B.S., Leigh James, Scott Langley, Lipson, M.A., Miller, Morris, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Selim Smith, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Weech, M.A. and Yarnold.

1—Minutes of Previous Meetings—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 6th February, 1933, 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 February 13

Subject to an Amendment moved by Councillor J. F. Ward and seconded by Councillor P. T. Smith : " That Minute No. 10 (b) in regard to the provision of a public convenience in the St. Mark's district, be referred back for further consideration."

Housing Meeting held February 16

Street and Highway Meeting held February 20

Town Planning Meeting held February 23

The Chairman read letter from Messrs. A. C. Billings & Sons agreeing to build six houses instead of seven on land in Evesham Road in accordance with the Pittville Estate Covenants.

Town Improvement and Spa Meetings held February 17 & 24

Subject to an Amendment moved by Alderman Pates and seconded by Councillor P. T. Smith : " That Minute No. 12 (b) in regard to the Summer Orchestra be referred back for further consideration."

(An Amendment moved by Councillor P. T. Smith : " That Minute No. 2 (b) (ii) in regard to the issue of season tickets for Montpellier Baths, be referred back for further consideration " was not seconded).

Resolved, also, That Miss Gwen Lewis be allowed to give Sunday Concerts at the Montpellier Pavilion between the hours of 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. subject to the programmes being first submitted to and approved by the Entertainments Sub-Committee.

Electricity and Lighting Meetings held February 14 & 27

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Miller and seconded by Councillor Pruen : That Minute No. .. in regard to the purchase of a Billing Machine, be referred back" was lost).

Water ... Meeting held February 14

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held February 21

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Miller and seconded by Councillor E. L. Ward: " That Minute No. 13 in regard to the enlargement of the Town Council, be referred back for further consideration" was lost).

Allotments Meeting held February 13

Parks and Recreation Grounds ... Meeting held February 13

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held February 17

Burial Board Meeting held February 24

Winter Garden Development .. Meeting held February 8

Public Library Meeting held February 9

Rating Meeting held February 24

Finance Meeting held February 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, and such additional sums as may become payable

during the month in respect of current Contracts upon the Certificate of the Architect or Officer under whom the work is carried out.

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3—General and Eye Hospitals—Resolved, That Councillors Dr. Hayward and Lipson be reappointed representatives of the Council on the Board of Management of the General and Eye Hospitals for the ensuing year.

4—Delancey Hospital—Resolved, That Councillor Dr. Hayward be reappointed a Representative Trustee of the Delancey Hospital for a further term of three years expiring on 3rd March, 1936.

5—Pittville Estate—In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given, it was moved by Councillor Weech and seconded by Councillor Waite : " That all plans submitted for buildings on the Pittville Estate shall be considered by the Parks Committee with reference to the existing covenants before being submitted for the approval of the Council."

To this an Amendment was moved by Councillor Lipson and seconded by Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham : "That the Town Planning Committee in considering plans for buildings on the Pittville Estate be requested to take the question of the existing covenants into consideration."

Councillor Weech then withdrew his motion, and the Amendment, on being put to the Meeting as a substantive motion, was declared to be carried.

6—Sale of Houses-20 Spenser Road and 21 Shakespeare Road—The Town Clerk submitted offer from Messrs. Leishman & Copeland on behalf of a client to purchase these houses at the prices of £480 and £495 respectively. Resolved, That these offers be accepted subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health being obtained to the sales, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the conveyances. Resolved, also, That application be made to the Ministry for consent to the sales.

7—Enlargement of Town Council—Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to a Petition to the Privy Council making application in pursuance of the Municipal Corporations Act 1882 and 1893 and the Borough Councillors (Alteration of Numbers) Act, 1925 for an Order that the Wards of the Borough may be increased by two by the division of the Borough into 8 Wards and that the number of Councillors may be increased from 18 to 24 and the number of Aldermen from 6 to 8.

J. H. TRYE, 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 April, 1933.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 13th March, 1933. Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Margrett, Moore and Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, The Rev. de Courcy-

Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Morris, Pruen, Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor A. S. F. Pruen in the chair).

1—Insanitary Property at 1 Greville Terrace, Grafton. Road ; 1 and 2 Railway Bank, Granley Road—The Committee having considered the representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses are satisfied that the said houses are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation in the respect mentioned in the said official representation, and that they are capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Sub-section 1 of Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1930, notice be given to the persons having control of the houses requiring them to execute the works to be specified in the notice which will in the opinion of the Committee render the houses fit for human habitation.

2—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :-62 Fairview Street and 3 Fairview 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.

3—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 2 qrs. 27 lbs. Pork ; 2 qrs. 19 lbs. Mutton ; 2 qrs. 4 lbs. Beef ; 2 lbs. Rabbit ; and 1 qr. 14 lbs. Tin Liquid Eggs.

4—Nuisances from Drains etc. at (a) 4 and 5 Lansdown Crescent ; Paris House and Belgrave House, Promenade; 54 and 55 Upper Norwood Street ; and 13-17 Kew 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 premises 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) 54 and 55 Upper Norwood Street; St. Gregory's, St. James' Square ; Paris House and Belgrave House, Promenade—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 specified work within 28 days.

(c) Station Street and New Street—The Sanitary Inspector submitted five tenders received for carrying out the necessary drainage work required to be done at 1 and 2 Leckhampton View and Belle Ewart, New Street, and 1-14 Station Street. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs Mark Williams & Co. Ltd. of £200 10s. 7d. (being the lowest) be accepted, subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

(d) Sandford Street—Read, letter from the owner of 13 Sandford Street asking the Corporation to accept payment of the sum of £20 15s. 2d. incurred by the Corporation in the execution of drainage work at her house by monthly instalments of 10s. RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted.

5—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) Haddonhurst, Grosvenor Street ; and 4 Portland Street—The Committee further considered the question of making Closing Orders in respect of the basement rooms of these premises, and the Rota Sub-Committee reported their inspection of Haddonhurst. Mr. Speller, owner of Haddonhurst, and Mr. Haslam, on behalf of Mr. Williams, owner of 4 Portland Street, attended. RESOLVED, That the Council, being satisfied that the basement rooms of the said premises which are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are let for human habitation and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and no undertakings having been given by the Owners to carry out the work required to render the premises fit for human habitation or as to the future user of the said parts of the said buildings, Orders be now made under the Common Seal in pursuance of Section 20 of the Housing Act, 1930, prohibiting the use of the said rooms for human habitation.

(b) 24 and 56 Grosvenor Street ; and Repton, Hewlett Street—The Rota Sub-Committee reported their inspection of the basements of these premises which did not comply with the regulations prescribed by the Corporation under the Housing Acts. RESOLVED, That the Council are satisfied that the above mentioned parts of the said buildings are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation, and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit and that notice be served upon the persons having control of the houses, Owners thereof, and mortgagees, if any, of the time and place at which the condition of the parts of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or future user thereof will be considered by the Council when any of the above mentioned persons will be entitled to be heard.

(c) 2 Brookbank Cottages, Market Street ; and 35 Tewkesbury Road—The Committee considered official representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses and report of Rota Sub-Committee thereon. RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the above mentioned dwellinghouses are unfit for human habitation and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, notice be given under Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, to the Owners, to the persons having control of the houses, and Mortgagees, if any, that the condition of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or the future user of the houses will be considered at a meeting of this Committee to be held on 10th April, 1933.

(d) 5a Roman Road—RESOLVED, That consideration of making a Closing Order in respect of the basement of these premises be adjourned until the next meeting of the Committee.

(e) 16 Priory Terrace—The Sanitary Inspector reported that Mrs. Pates had now carried out the necessary work to make the basement of these premises fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That the making of a Closing Order be not proceeded with.

(f) 352-370 Gloucester Road—RESOLVED, That consideration of making Demolition Orders in respect of these premises be adjourned for six months.

(g) 8a Commercial Street— A representative of Messrs. Steel & Broom attended on behalf of Mr. R. H. Hughes and objected to a Demolition Order being made in respect of this house. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

6—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—(a) RESOLVED, That the applications of H. W. Brooks of 80 Whaddon Avenue, Edward Crawford of 248 Bath Road and H. W. Vallender of 1 Rosedale Cottages, Hyde Road, Swindon, to be registered as Retail Purveyors of Milk within the Borough be granted subject to compliance with the usual conditions.

(b) RESOLVED, That the application of W. N. Unwin of Arle Court for registration as a Producer in respect of Bridgend Farm, Up Hatherley, be granted subject to compliance with the usual conditions.

7—Flooding—(a) The Borough Surveyor reported as to the condition of the Chelt after the heavy fall of snow and rain from the 24th to 26th instant. There was no surcharging of the Chelt main sewer or its tributaries, and no serious flooding had been reported.

(b) Sandford Mill Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted letter from Mr. L. W. Bayley calling attention to the flooding in Sandford Mill Farm House and Sandford Mill Road, due to the overflow from Lilley Brook. RESOLVED, That the matter be referred to the County Council for their consideration.

(c) College Road District—The Borough Surveyor reported that it was not desirable to commence the work of the construction of the storm water overflows in College Road at the present time in view of the disturbance which would be caused in Sandford Park. RESOLVED, That the work be deferred until October.

8—Hatherley Road—Sewer Extension—The Borough Surveyor submitted letter from Messrs. Wheeler & Mansell asking for the construction of the necessary sewer for the 35 houses to be erected by them in Hatherley Road. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that the Chairman, and Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris and E. L. Ward be appointed a Sub-Committee to consider and report on the matter.

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9—Shelburne Road—Sewer Collapse—The Borough Surveyor reported that about midnight on the 4th instant, the Hatherley Brook sewer which crossed under Shelburne Road, collapsed. He recommended that the collapsed section of the sewer be reconstructed with concrete pipes at a cost of £80 RESOLVED, That this be approved.

10—Gas Liquor--The Borough Surveyor submitted the half-yearly report of Mr. O'Shaughnessy on examination of samples and his inspection of the Sewage Purification Works, which showed that the results continued to be satisfactory, the final effluent complying with the standard of purity laid down by the Royal Commission and adopted by the Ministry of Health.

11—Smoke Nuisance—Read, letter from the Dammann Asphalt Co. stating that they had now had their plant inspected by an expert who was putting forward a plan for dealing with the abatement of

the dust nuisance. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

12—Notices not complied with—The Sanitary Inspector submitted two Notices arising from want of proper ash receptacles, served but not complied with. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance.

13—Antimony Poisoning—The Medical Officer of Health submitted circular from the Ministry of Health, enclosing memorandum which suggested that the public should be warned that enamel hollow-ware vessels intended for other purposes may be dangerous if used for the storage or preparation of food or drink. RESOLVED, That he be authorised to have a summary of the memorandum published at a cost not exceeding £3.

14—Public Convenience—The Committee considered the reference back by the Council of the suggestion of the Cheltenham District Trades Council that a public convenience should be provided at St. Mark's. The Committee also considered the suggestion made at the Council meeting as to the provision of a convenience in the Pittville District. RESOLVED, That the Medical Officer of Health and Chief Sanitary Inspector be asked to inspect suitable sites and report to the Committee.

ARTHUR S. F. PRUEN,

Chairman.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 16th March, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors The Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Lipson, Morris and P. T. Smith (Alderman Pates in the chair).

1—**Selection of Tenants and Repairs Sub-Committee**—Read, report of the Sub-Committee at their meeting held on 10th inst. They recommended inter alia :—

(i) 33 Hudson. Street—That the application of the tenant to install a telephone at this house necessitating the erection of five telegraph poles be not granted.

(ii) Hudson and Mouser Streets—That the Committee approve of the extra expenditure of £2 15s. 0d. for an additional length of fencing found necessary when proceeding with the erection of the gates to the passages between the houses in these streets.

(iii) 21 Kipling Road—That the application of the tenant for a transfer to a cheaper house be not acceded to, but that no objection be made to an exchange of tenancies if this can be arranged.

(iv) 117 Tennyson Road—That the tenant of this house be allowed the sum of £4 as compensation on account of the damp condition of the premises for the past 18 months.

(v) Whaddon Avenue—That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the houses in this road pointed as may be required.

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

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2—Outbuildings—RESOLVED, That the Housing Manager be asked to obtain designs and estimates for three different types of sheds with a view to standardizing the type of shed which tenants shall be allowed to erect.

3—Pigeon Keeping—RESOLVED, That it be a condition of all new tenancies that the tenants shall not keep pigeons on the premises.

4-8 Kingsley Gardens—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the kitchen of this house re-decorated at a cost of £1 5s. 0d.

5—Arrears—The Housing Manager submitted detailed statement of arrears. RESOLVED, That the sum of £28 18s. 0d. due from former tenants in accordance with the list now signed by the Chairman be written off as irrecoverable.

6—New Houses, St. Mark's—The Town Clerk reported that he had heard from Messrs Cutler & Sysum and the Federated Employers Insurance Association that the contract and bond would be executed at an early date.

7—Alstone Lawn Estate—(a) Mr. Rainger reported that as requested he had considered whether any economy could be made by providing flat roofs for the proposed houses at Alstone, and he submitted design and methods of constructing the roof, and he found that there was very little saving (if any) in the provision of flat roofs, and recommended that the ordinary slanting tile roofs should be provided. RESOLVED, That the Committee approve and adopt this recommendation.

(b) The Committee considered the advisability of development of the whole of the Alstone Lawn Estate by providing about 80 houses instead of the proposed 49 houses. RESOLVED, That the Public Health Committee be asked to ascertain how many houses are likely to be required for rehousing displaced population from individual unfit houses,

(c) Allotments—Read, letter from Mr. C. C. Castle that he had now settled the claims of the tenants of the allotments of which possession had been taken at £84 7s. 6d. RESOLVED, That the Borough Treasurer be instructed to pay these claims less any rent due.

(d) Shop Site—Mr. Rainger submitted elevation and plan of shop which Mr. Andrews proposed to erect on the corner of Gloucester Road and Alstone Lane, RESOLVED, That this plan be approved, and that the Town Planning Committee be asked to amend the building line so as to permit of a shop being erected nearer Gloucester Road. RESOLVED, also, That the Council be recommended to sell the land which Mr. Andrews requires for the shop at the valuation of the District Valuer.

8—Housing Department—Read, letter of 22nd ult. from Miss Bouverie resigning her appointment as second assistant in this department. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to appoint a female pupil trainee at a salary of £104 per annum, and that the Chairman be authorised to

interview two applicants from the Association of Women House Managers, and to appoint a suitable applicant on these terms.

9-Flats for Aged Persons—The Town Clerk reported that as instructed he had written to the Ministry of Health enquiring what contribution would have to be allowed by the Corporation in respect of one bedroom flats, as according to the Act it appeared that the Corporation would have to make a contribution of £3 15s. 0d. for a one bedroom flat and the Exchequer Contribution would amount to £4 10s. 0d., whereas in the case of a two-bedroom house the Subsidy was still only £3 15s. 0d. and the Government contribution £9, and he now submitted letter of 15th inst. from the Ministry of Health that it would be necessary for a rate charge of the full sum of £3 15s. 0d. to be made in respect of each one-bedroom flat. RESOLVED, That consideration of the erection of flats be adjourned for the present.

10-15 Burton Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported with reference to this property. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to purchase the property for reconditioning for the sum of £50, plus the cost of the conveyance, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the conveyance. RESOLVED, also, That the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to prepare specification and estimate of the cost of carrying out the work.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

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STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 20th March, 1933. Present—Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Lipson, H. W. Thomas and Yarnold (Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Annual Tenders—The Borough Surveyor submitted letters from Messrs. Sharpe & Fisher (1924) Ltd., withdrawing their tenders for four items on the Timber Schedule and five on the Lead Pipe Schedule. RESOLVED, That the next lowest tenders for these items be accepted.

2—Snow Removal—The Borough Surveyor submitted letters from Messrs. W. Ride & Co. Ltd. and Mr. W. W. Dowty, complaining of the manner in which the snow removal was dealt with opposite their premises in Winchcomb Street, together with report of the Highways Superintendent thereon. RESOLVED, That the Highways Superintendent be instructed to see that better arrangements are made another time for dealing with the snow,

3—Tyres for Lorries etc.—The Borough Surveyor submitted letters from Messrs. Griffiths Bros. asking that orders for Dunlop tyres should be sent through them instead of direct to the makers, and that he had ascertained that the discounts would be the same whether orders were placed through local dealers or direct with the Dunlop Company RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be asked to obtain further quotations.

4—Oriental Road—Read, letter of the 9th instant from Mr. L. W. Barnard, asking the Corporation to plant some trees in Bath Road along the frontage of the General Insurance premises. RESOLVED, That, as it is now too late to plant trees, consideration be adjourned for view in the Autumn,

5—Car Park—Cambray—Read. letter from Messrs. Reed & Patterson requesting the Corporation to remove the notice erected outside their premises in Bath Road, directing to the Cambray Car Park, as this was causing a loss of trade to them. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the notice removed and re-erected in a suitable position.

6—Hales Road—Read, letter from Mr. A. E. Gough asking for the removal or lopping of two tall trees in Hales Road at the junction of Sydenham Road. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for view.

7—Damage to Footpaths—Read, reports of damage to the footpaths in Winchcomb Street and Grosvenor Place South by motor lorries. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make claims for the cost of making good the damage amounting to £1 5s. 0d. and £1 respectively.

8—Projecting Signs—RESOLVED, That the applications of Mr. E. C. Woodman and Messrs. Haines & Strange for permission to erect projecting signs at their premises at the Berkeley Arms Hotel and 18 and 19 Albion Street respectively be granted subject to compliance with the usual conditions

9—National Safety Congress—Read, circular of the 28th ult. from the National " Safety First " Association inviting the Council to appoint one or more delegates to attend the National Safety Congress to be held in London commencing on 24th May. RESOLVED, That the Mayor be appointed to attend,

10—Cheltenham Golf Club—The Borough Surveyor submitted sketch showing the addition of the words " Cleeve Hill Golf Course 4 miles" to the Winchcomb sign in High Street opposite Winchcomb Street. RESOLVED, That this be approved, and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have a new sign made.

11 Streamer Across Colonnade—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Swimming and Water Polo Club for permission to place a streamer across the Colonnade on the occasion of their Galas, and one day previous to each Gala during the season, 1933, be granted subject to compliance with the usual conditions.

12-146 High Street—RESOLVED, That the application of R. J. Beswick & Sons for permission to erect a canopy outside these premises be granted subject to the height of the canopy being ten feet clear above the footpath, and set back two feet from the kerb, and to the applicants entering into an Undertaking to be prepared by the Town Clerk to remove the canopy when required, and to maintain this in good order and condition.

13—America Passage—Read, further letters from Mr. G. Bradfield in regard to the obstruction caused in this passage by automatic slot machines. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to report on the matter.

14—Cranham Road—Read, letter of the 11th instant from Messrs Gem & Co. in regard to this road. The Borough Surveyor reported that it was in good condition, and made up except for the footpath on the east side. RESOLVED, That Cranham Road be declared a highway subject as regards the footpath on the east side, to the liability of the abutting owners to pave the portion of the footpath under the provisions of Section 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act 1852, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to give the necessary notices.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM, Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 23rd March, 1933. Present—Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Dr. Hayward, Morris, E. L. Ward and Yarnold ; Capt. Leschallas ; Messrs. W. S. F. Harris and A. Wiggett (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.
3454	Billings, A. C. & Sons	Amended plan for 6 instead of 7 houses, Evesham Road.
3464	Henderson, Lt.-Col. S. H.	Motor house, St. Keverne, Christ Church Road.
3473	Wheeler & Mansell	Preliminary plan for 35 houses, Hatherley Road.
3474	Naunton Estates Ltd.	9 houses, Whaddon Road.
3475	Parsloe, T.	Motor house, Tryes Road.
3476	Baynes, A. L.	15 houses and shops, Tennyson Road.
3477	Skinner, H.	Tool house, Capesthorn, Keynsham Road.
3478	Phillips, W. G.	Motor house, Clarendon, Fairfield Park Road.
3479	Bendall & Sons	Motor house, Mead Road
3480	Ebdon, J.	Motor house, rear of Belgrave Lodge, Montpellier Terrace.
3481	Eckroyd, F. W.	Garden tool house, Oakcliffe, Keynsham Road.
3482	Lippett, G. J.	Extension of wing, Doe-Lea, Whaddon Road.
3483	International Tea Co. Ltd.	Addition, rear of 340 High Street.
3484	Oldacre, H.	Detached house and garage, Queen's Road.
3485	Reason, C. H.	4 houses, Naunton Terrace, off Exmouth Street.
3486	Broom, D. R. B.	Detached house, Eldon Road.
3487	Simmons, Mr.	Motor house, Tryes Road.
3488	Frye, Mrs. E.	Motor house, 4 Berkeley Place.
3489	Green, P. R.	Detached house, Cleeve View Road..
3490	Victory Motor Co.	Alterations to Nos. 42, 43, 44 and 45 Winchcomb Street.
3491	Powis, W. E.	Motor house, 47 Byron Road.
3492	Allan, W. T.	Detached house, Fairmount Road.
3493	Corpus Christi College, Oxford.	Two shops and flat, 182/3 High Street.
3494	Rawlins, E. E.	Conversion of stables into laundry, Karenza Estate, Naunton Parade.

3495	Gloucestershire County Council	New women's wards and additions to nurses' home, Public Assistance Institution, Swindon Road.
3496	Broadbent, Mr.	Three motor houses, Tryes Road.
3497	Peacey, A. A.	Detached bungalow, Nester's Way Road, Arle.
3498	Regan, F.	Stabling and workshops, Milsom Street.
3499	Stevens, P. J.	Detached bungalow, Arle Road.
3500	Copeland, R. V.	Detached house, Lansdown Road.
3501	Cant, Mrs.	Motor house, Marchmont, Parabola Road,
3502	Mills, H. J.	New bedroom over kitchen, 3 Park View Terrace, Naunton Lane.
3503	Naunton Estates Ltd.	Proposed design for 12 semi-detached houses, Naunton Way, off Naunton Lane.
3504	Rostock, F. M.	Sketch design for bungalow, Sydenham Road North.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 3454, 3464, 3475, 3479, 3486, 3487, 3488, 3490, 3491, 3496, 3497, 3500 and 3501 be approved subject, in the case of Plans Nos. 3491 and 3501, to proper entrance crossings over the footpath being provided to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor ; That Plan No. 3473 be approved subject to the owners entering into an undertaking to set back the fence 20 feet from the centre of the road, with a building line of 20 feet; That Plan No. 3485 be approved subject to the owner entering into an Undertaking to surrender when called upon the land in Naunton Terrace required to widen the road to 24 feet without compensation ; That Plan No 3476 be approved subject to all the designs of shop fronts being submitted for approval if departure from standard design is proposed ; That Plan No. 3478 be approved subject to the owner entering into an undertaking to remove the building behind the building line laid down in the Town Planning Scheme, if and when required ; That Plans Nos. 3482, 3483, 3495, 3499 and 3502 be approved subject to the drainage and sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, and in the case of Plan No 3499, subject also to the owner entering into an undertaking to surrender the land for the widening of the road to the line laid down in the Town Planning Scheme without compensation if and when required ; That Plan No. 3489 and 3492 be approved subject to the owners entering into undertakings to set back the buildings 35 feet and 25 feet respectively from the centre of the roads to front of bay windows ; That Plan No. 3494 be approved subject to the building being set back 35 feet from the centre of the road, and also subject to the condition that no nuisance shall be caused to the neighbourhood by reason of noise, smoke, fumes, or any other cause, and also to the road being widened to 36 feet if development of the land beyond is proceeded with ; That Plans Nos. 3474, 3477, 3480, 3481, 3484, 3493, 3498, 3503 and 3504 be not approved, and that in the case of Plans Nos. 3477 and 3498 Notice be given to the owners to show cause why the buildings should not be removed as being erected in contravention of the Byelaws.

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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.
422	White, Mrs.	New wing to Garage Block, Bardowie, Sandy Lane, Charlton Kings.
423	Peacey, H. H.	Laundry, Croft Road, Charlton Kings.

424	Jessop, W.	House, Greenhills Road, Charlton Kings,
425	Murray, Mr. and Mrs.	House, Moorend Road, Charlton Kings.
426	Ainscow, Dr. H.	Additions, Grey Gables, Charlton Park Gate.
427	Richardson, Capt. L. T.	Amended lay-out of land off Little Herberts Lane and house plans.
428	Price, C. W.	Garage, The Pines, Cirencester Road, Charlton Kings.
429	Purser, C.	Bungalow, Swindon.
430	H.M. Office of Works	Amended elevation, telephone exchange, Prestbury.
431	Marshall, R.	Detached house, Leckhampton Lane, Shurdington.
432	Smith, W. T.	Additions to bungalow, Near Merestones, The Park.
433	Sollars, F. H.	Garage, Cashel, Station Road, Woodmancote.
421	Stannard, G.	Development, Newlands, Evesham Road.
392	Hall, H. St. Clair	Development, Treelands Estate, Leckhampton Road.
434	Wootten, R.	Alterations and additions, Haymes House, Cleeve Hill.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 428, 430, 431, 432, 433 and 434 be approved ; That Plan No. 427 be approved subject to the elevations of the houses being varied as suggested by the Charlton Kings Urban District Council ; That considerations of Plans Nos. 421 and 392 be deferred ; and That Plan No. 429 be not approved.

3—Hatherley Road, Naunton Terrace and Tryes Road—RESOLVED, That as it appears that a portion of Hatherley Road for a length of 335 yards west of its junction with Alma Road, Naunton Terrace for a length of 76 yards from its junction with Exmouth Street and Tryes Road for a length of 100 yards from its junction with Painswick Road will be converted into new streets as a consequence of building operations which have been or are likely to be undertaken in the vicinity, Notice be given in pursuance of Section 30 of the Public Health Act 1925 of the intention of the Council to make Orders declaring the said portions of the aforesaid highways to be new streets for the purpose of the application thereto of the byelaws with respect to new streets.

4-Old Bath Road—(a) Read, letter of the 7th inst. from Mr. S. D. Benda]] asking the Corporation to purchase the land belonging to him fronting Old Bath Road, scheduled for the Southern Bye-pass. RESOLVED, That the proposal be not entertained.

(b) C. A. Smith's Land—The Town Clerk reported that the District Valuer had no authority to undertake the negotiations for the purchase of Mr. Smith's land, and that application had been made to the Ministry of Health requesting that such authority should be given, but he now submitted letter from the Ministry of Health that they were unable to request the Valuation Department to undertake this. Mr. Smith attended the meeting and offered to sell the land for £800. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to make an offer of £700 for the land.

5—Proposed Executive Committee—Read, letter of 22nd inst. from the Clerk to the Cheltenham Rural District Council forwarding resolution passed by his Council expressing the view that the County Councils and District Councils whose areas were affected by the Town Planning Scheme should confer together with a view to acquiring executive powers in regard to the preparation and administration of the Scheme. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned pending the views of the County Council and District Councils being obtained on the proposal.

6—Town and County Planning Act, 1932—The Town Clerk submitted memorandum of the interview which he and the Town Planning Assistant had with Mr. Pepler on the 23rd ult., and also summary of the revisions of this Act, together with circular 1,305 from the Ministry of Health with reference thereto. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health to dispense with the approval of the Preliminary Statement, and for permission to proceed direct with the preparation of the Draft Scheme. RESOLVED, also, That the Town Planning Assistant be instructed to proceed with the remodelling of the Scheme on the lines recommended by Mr. Pepler at the interview, having regard to the provisions of the New Town Planning Act, and also to prepare a Register of Owners.

7—Kidnappers Lane, Leckhampton—Read, letter of 15th inst. from Messrs. Bruton Knowles & Co. on behalf of Mrs. Lloyd Evans, asking the Corporation to purchase the property reserved for a recreation ground or withdraw this reservation. RESOLVED, That this application be not acceded to.

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8—**Aerodrome**—With reference to Minute No. 9 passed by the General Purposes and Watch Committee at their last meeting, it was RESOLVED, That the following **Sub-Committee** be appointed to confer with the members of the Gloucester City Council, namely :—The Mayor, the Chairman and Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs and Dr. Hayward.

9—Leckhampton Road—Read, letter of 2nd inst. from the Clerk to the County Council that the County Council had now arranged to purchase Mr. Ivelaw Chapman's land abutting on this road containing about 1.28 acres. The Town Clerk submitted copy letter from the Ministry of Health addressed to Mr. Ivelaw Chapman that the appeal was now regarded as withdrawn.

10—Alstone Lawn Estate—The Committee considered the proposal of the Housing Committee that modification should be made in the Scheme to permit of a group of shops being erected on Gloucester Road frontage of this estate. RESOLVED, That this proposal be agreed to and that the frontage from the junction of Alstone Lane for a length of 150 feet be scheduled for a group of not less than six shops, and that the shops be allowed to come forward to a building line of 15 feet from the boundary of the road, subject to the condition that the land in front of the shops shall not be enclosed,

11—Queen's Road—Read, letter from Messrs. Cornelius & Boulter asking that the building line of 60 feet of the land belonging to Messrs. Cypher & Sons in Queen's Road should be modified. RESOLVED, That they be informed that the Committee will be prepared to favourably consider the erection of approved types of houses to a building line of 52 feet.

E. L. WARD, Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 17th March, 1933. Present—The Mayor, Councillors Lipson, Thomas, E. L. Ward and Waite ; and Mr. H. W. Bennett (Councillor Waite in the chair).

1—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Report of the Entertainments Sub-Committee at their Meeting held on 6th inst. Present—Aldermen Pates and Sawyer ; Councillors P. T. Smith, Thomas and Waite (Alderman Pates in the chair).

They recommended (inter alia) as follows :—

(a) Broadcast of Dance Band—That the receipts for the Dance on the 25th April when the Band is to be broadcast by the B.B.C. be paid to Mr. Fielding for his Band.

(b) Town Hall—Staff--That all charges for payment of any of the Town Hall staff by hirers of the Town Hall be charged through the Corporation, the charges for afternoon lets to be retained by the Corporation, and for evening lets, to be repaid to the staff concerned.

(c) Good Friday—That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to arrange for a concert of suitable music on Good Friday evening.

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

2—Spa Federation—(a) The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Spa Federation held in London on the 16th February.

(b) Government Recognition—Read, letter from the Spa Federation that endeavours were being made to meet members of Parliament at the House of Commons to put forward the Federation's case for moral support from the Government, and asking the Corporation to invite the Borough Member to attend the meeting. RESOLVED, That as Sir Walter Preston is abroad, Mr. W. S. Morrison be asked to attend,

3—Alstone Baths—Swimming and Mixed Bathing—Read, application from the Hon. Secretary, Cheltenham Swimming and Water Polo Club for the use of the Swimming Baths on Tuesdays from 6 p.m. till closing time for Water Polo and on Thursdays from 5.30 p.m. to closing time for mixed bathing, and also for Galas on nights to be arranged with the Superintendent. RESOLVED, That the use of the Baths be granted on the same terms as in previous years.

4—Advertising—Read, letter from Mr. E. J. Burrow that the Great Western Railway, as part of the advertising scheme, had asked for a supply of guides to be sent for distribution to their offices throughout the country, and that he was supplying these. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

5—Town Hall—RESOLVED, That the illuminated Medical Baths frame be removed from the vestibule to the space under the stairs, and that the statue " Carmen " presented by Mrs. Sarsfield Walsh be placed in the centre of the vestibule at a cost £11 10s. 0d., and that the question of erecting guard rails around the statue be deferred until the statue is in position.

6—Pittville Estate—Land adjoining Anlaby—Read, letter of 15th inst from Messrs. Rickerby, Thompson and Yeaman, on behalf of Messrs. A C. Billings & Sons, asking that the Rent Charge of £11 on the land which formed lot 6 at the sale of the Pittville Estate on the 30th October, 1843, being the land at the junction of Evesham Road with the Central Cross Drive and having a frontage of 220 ft. on Evesham Road, should be apportioned as follows, namely :—£1 on the house and premises nearest

Anlaby, and £2 in respect of each of the other 5 houses erected on the said lot. There was also a Rent Charge of £1 for the repair of the Chancel of the Parish Church, which it was proposed to charge on the first mentioned house making on each house. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to agree to the proposed apportionment of the Rent Charge of £11, and that the Common Seal be affixed to a copy of this Resolution.

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7—Montpellier Gardens—Hard Tennis Courts—The Committee considered the charges to be made to Clubs hiring the courts for periods throughout the season. RESOLVED, That Clubs and persons be allowed to hire some of the courts for certain periods as may be approved by the Committee, and that the ordinary hire charge of 2s per hour be reduced for such lettings as follows :—

For lettings extending over an approved period during one month 5 per cent. reduction.

For lettings extending over an approved period during two consecutive months ... 10 per cent. reduction.

For lettings extending over an approved period during three consecutive months ... 15 per cent. reduction.

For lettings extending over an approved period during four consecutive months ... 20 per cent. reduction

For lettings extending over an approved period during five consecutive months ... 25 per cent. reduction.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 24th March, 1933. Present—Alderman Pates ; Councillors P. T. Smith, Selim Smith, Waite and E. L. Ward; Messrs. H. W. Bennett, E. J. Burrow and E. W. Dicks (Councillor Waite in the chair).

8—Montpellier Gardens—RESOLVED, That Miss Belcher be refunded the sum of £1 1s. 0d. for a key of these Gardens.

9—Spa Baths----(a) The Borough Surveyor reminded the Committee that in July last, the Committee reduced the charge for Grammar School girls attending the Baths individually to 3d., and reported that the Headmistress now asked that the charge be reduced to 3d. when the girls go in classes. The Superintendent reported that this would involve the revision of the reservation charges for all the schools. RESOLVED, That the application be not granted, and that the Council be recommended to rescind the minute passed at their meeting on the 25th July, 1932, reducing the charge for individual girls from 6d. to 3d.

(b) RESOLVED, That from the 31st May to the 31st August, the Baths be kept open until 8.30 p:m. with admissions up to 8.15 p.m.

(c) The Borough Surveyor reported that he estimated the cost of providing one registering and one non-registering turn-stile and fixing door for one of the exits at a total cost of £38. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to provide these. (d) Mixed Bathing—The Superintendent reported as to the inadequate accommodation for mixed bathing at these Baths. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for one month.

10—Committee—Read, letter of 18th inst., from the Chamber of Commerce, that they had appointed Messrs. E. W. Dicks, H. W. Bennett and E. J. Burrow as their representatives on the Committee for the ensuing year.

11—Advertising—Mr. E. J. Burrow submitted draft scheme of advertising arranged with the Railway Companies for next year. The Scheme provided for a total expenditure of £872 10s. 0d., towards which the Railway Companies would contribute £372 10s. 0d. RESOLVED, That this be approved as settled by the Committee. RESOLVED, also, That in all future advertisements, Mr. Burrow be asked to provide for all enquiries to be made to the Entertainments Manager instead of to Mrs. Bisset and Mr. Wilkinson, as hitherto.

12—Alstone Baths—Mixed Bathing—The Superintendent attended and reported as to the arrangements to be made for public mixed bathing at these Baths. RESOLVED, That the Baths be opened on the 15th April, and that mixed bathing be provided in both Baths on Thursday afternoons at a charge of 6d. ; also, That the free tickets given to school children be not available for mixed bathing, and, That children under the age of 16 be not admitted to mixed bathing unless accompanied by an adult,

13—Sunday Games—The Entertainments Manager recommended that Sunday Games should be allowed in Montpellier Gardens. He had circularised 50 towns, and now submitted precis of the replies, and out of the 39 replies received it appeared that 20 towns permitted Sunday games, 18 did not and in one town, the Council were considering the matter. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to allow the playing of games in Montpellier Gardens on Sundays between the hours of 2 p.m. and 6 p.m., and that if approved, the Council be recommended to authorise this Committee to provide relief labour necessary to avoid the present staff working on Sundays.

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14—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Reports of the Entertainments Sub-Committee at their Meetings held on the 20th and 21st instant. They recommended as follows :—

(a) Easter Programme—That the Programme of Entertainments for Easter Week, as submitted by the Entertainments Manager, be approved, and that he be authorised to obtain a Cabaret for the Easter Carnival Ball, and to have programmes of the Entertainments for the week printed at a cost not exceeding £6.

(b) Summer Orchestra etc.—(i) That the following revised tenders for the Summer Orchestra etc. be accepted, subject in each case to agreements to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into :—

Quartet—From 24th April up to and including the 14th October—Mr. Horace Teague—£10, this sum to include Mr. Teague's personal services as leader.

Octet—From 3rd June to 30th June (inclusive), afternoons and evenings (including Sundays)—Mr. Arthur Cole—£46 17s. 6d. per week.

Octet and Orchestra—From 1st July to 3rd September (inclusive), Octet on afternoons of weekdays, and Orchestra in evenings of weekdays—Mr. Arthur Cole—£78 per week.

Royal Gloucester Hussars Band—For Sunday afternoons and Sunday evenings from 1st July to 3rd September (10 Sundays) for the sum of £12 12s. 0d. per Sunday, also on the evenings of Whit Saturday, Whit Sunday and Whit Monday and Whit Monday morning for the sum of £36 10s. 0d.

(ii) That the charge for admission to the Chair Enclosure at the Concerts be 3d., including chair, and that books of 12 tickets be issued at a charge of 2s a book as last year,

(c) Montpellier Gardens—Hard Tennis Courts That the offer of the 1930 Tennis Club to pay the sum of £45 for the use of two of the present hard tennis courts for the evenings of Monday to Friday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturdays from 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. and 5.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. from 1st May to 16th September (excluding two days of the Flower Show), be accepted.

RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held at the Electricity Works on Monday, 27th March, 1933.

Present—Alderman Pates ; Councillors P. T. Smith, H. W. Thomas and Waite ; and Messrs. H. W. Bennett, E. W. Dicks and Dr. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair).

15—Electricity Cooling Ponds—The Committee inspected the Cooling Ponds. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be asked to prepare an Estimate for forming one of the Ponds into a Swimming Bath including provision of Dressing accommodation for both sexes and that a further Meeting be held on Friday, 31st inst. to consider the Estimate.

T. WILFRED WAITE, Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 27th March, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore; Councillors Scott Langley, Waite, E. L. Ward and J. F. Ward (Alderman Moore in the chair).

1—Supply to Rural Areas—(a) The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the supply to Cleeve Hill was single phase given partly through existing 2,000 volt concentric cable as far as Noverton Lane,

and from this point by 3 phase cables, and it was therefore necessary to complete the 3 phase link between Evesham House Sub-Station and Noverton Lane Sub-Station, as originally planned, at an estimated cost of £1519, He also recommended that the overhead line supplying Bishop's Cleeve and now terminating at Woodmancote, should be continued by connecting Woodmancote Sub-Station to Bishop's Cleeve Sub-Station, thus completing a ring giving two alternative routes of supply to Prestbury, Cleeve Hill, Woodmancote and Bishop's Cleeve, at an estimated cost of £311.

RESOLVED, (a) That application be made to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to a loan of £1,830 for the cost of carrying out the scheme ; (b) That application be made to the Ministry of Transport for consent to the placing of overhead lines under Section 10 (b) of the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act, 1899, and also that application be made for the consents of the local authorities concerned, and that the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to obtain the necessary wayleaves for the laying of cables, and erection of lines, and for payment of compensation for removal of any trees.

(b) Shurdington—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted tenders for the supply of cables required for the supply to Shurdington district. RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Borough Electrical Engineer, That the Schedule of Prices submitted by the Hackbridge Cable Company (being the lowest) be accepted.

2—Public Lighting—(a) The Committee considered complaint made at the last meeting of the lighting at the junction of Clarence Road and Evesham Road. The lamp originally placed at the junction was knocked down some time ago and was re-erected in a new position, from which a shadow of a tree was cast across Evesham Road, RESOLVED, That the Street and Highway Committee be asked to have this tree felled.

(b) The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a special report on the street lighting, together with a list of the streets where public lighting cables were laid. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned till the next meeting of the Committee, and that in the meantime the members of the Committee be asked to consider the report with a view to making suggestions for the classification of the roads set out in the list.

3—Closing of Works—The Town Clerk reported that Sir Harold Morris had held an Arbitration into the Claims of the employees who had either been displaced or had suffered reductions in salaries, and now submitted the award dated the 21st instant, setting out the compensation to be paid to each claimant. The total amount payable was £3,101 10s. 0d. and £57 15s. 0d. for cost and Arbitration fee, RESOLVED, That this be paid out of Reserve Fund subject to the approval of the Electricity Commissioners,

4—Arrears—RESOLVED, That the list of arrears, amounting to £285 12s. 11d., now signed by the Chairman be written off as irrecoverable.

5—Change of Frequency—The Chairman reported that the change-over had now been completed. The cost of this was estimated at £33,884 but had been carried out at a cost of £27,756. In addition to this, the cost of the ring main was £51,262. He reminded the Committee that when the work was started it was recognised by the Committee that the planning and carrying out of this large capital

expenditure would involve work of a very technical character and would throw a great deal of extra work and responsibility on the Borough Electrical Engineer and it was intended to take this into consideration when the work was completed. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to grant the Borough Electrical Engineer an honorarium of £500 for his services in regard to the above mentioned works.

6—Assessment of Undertaking—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk and Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to consult a firm of Rating Surveyors in connection with the re-assessment of the undertaking if they consider this desirable.

7—Damage to Lamp Standard—Read, report of damage to a lamp standard in Lypiatt Road on the 20th inst. by a motor vehicle belonging to Mr. W. C. Edwards of London. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for the cost of making good the damage amounting to £22 16s. 7d.

8—Gas Tests—Read, report of Gas Tests made on the 27th ult., and 8th, 17th and 25th inst., which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 469.5, 475.2, 480.3, 473.9 and the Pressure 5.6, 5.4, 5.4 and 5.4 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE, Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 14th March, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Margrett, Moore and Pates ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Scott Langley and Morris (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days ended 13th March, 1933.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	461,000 gallons	426,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	2,291,000	1,694,000
Leckhampton Springs	82,000	73,000
Total	2,834,000	2,193,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	13th March, 1933.		13th March, 1932.	
Hewletts		22,918,000 gallons		22,664,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	31ft. 4ins.	96,511,000 "	28ft. 9in.	83,362,000 "
Leckhampton	12ft. 0ins.	1,620,000	11ft 0ins.	1,485,000
Total Storage		121,049,000		107,511,000

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

3—Dowdeswell Reservoir—The Borough Engineer submitted five tenders received for the supply of 1,000 yearling trout for the sedimentation basin. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. James Ogden of £20 (being the lowest) for 1,000 4 ½ inch trout be accepted.

4—Tewkesbury Waterworks—(a) The Borough Engineer reported that Messrs. C. A. Horton Ltd. commenced their contract for the reinforced concrete works on the 8th inst.

(b) House Drainage—The Borough Engineer reported that the re-drainage of the Works house had been nearly completed. The drainage had now been re-laid with iron pipes, and he proposed to install a hydraulic lift for discharging the House drainage above flood level. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

5—Mains Extensions—The Borough Engineer reported that the loan of £3,000 sanctioned by the Ministry of Health on the 27th June, 1929, was nearly expended. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a further loan of £3,000 for extensions of mains.

6—Extension to Mains—(a) Little Herbert's Road—The Borough Engineer submitted application from Capt. Richardson for extension of the main to supply a new estate off Little Herbert's Road. RESOLVED, That the extension be made subject to the whole of the cost being deposited before the commencement of the work to be refunded as and when the water charges on the houses connected thereto produce 10 per cent. per annum on the capital outlay, any such repayment to be repayable at the end of each financial year.

(b) Evesham Road—The Borough Engineer submitted application from Messrs. A. C. Billings & Sons for extension of about 230 yards of 3 inch main to supply six houses in Evesham Road and one in West Drive. As the receipts would more than cover the usual 10 per cent. required it was not proposed to ask for a deposit. RESOLVED, That this be approved, and that the Borough Engineer be instructed to have the extension made.

7—Salts Farm—Mr. C. C. Castle attended and reported that he had arranged with Messrs. Tayler Fletcher & Villar that the rent of this farm should be reduced to £88 per annum as from last Christmas. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

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8—Land, London Road—Mr. C. C. Castle reported the negotiations with the various owners for the purchase of the land in London Road in respect of which Compulsory Purchase Orders had been made. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that the next meeting of the Committee be held at Dowdeswell to inspect the land.

9—Musk Rat—Read, circular of 3rd inst., from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries enclosing illustrated leaflet on the Musk Rat, and asking for the report as to the steps which the Council had been able to take to ascertain whether there are any signs of the presence of Musk Rats near

Reservoirs or sources of supply. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Borough Engineer for attention,

10—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered, and the rates settled and adjusted.

11—Borough Engineer—Mr. Pickering reminded the Committee that he was due for retirement on the 14th June next. If desired, he was willing to continue for another twelve months so as to complete the works at Tewkesbury which are being carried out at a cost of £52,000, and will not be completed, including maintenance period, until about April, 1934, provided a fee was arranged for the extra work and responsibility in connection with this scheme, or if he retired on the 14th June, he was willing, if desired, to accept responsibility for completing the Waterworks Scheme at a fee to be arranged, and also during the twelve months after his retirement, he would be pleased to give any information or assistance required by his successor in taking over his duties, RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to adopt this latter suggestion, and that Mr. Pickering's services be retained after retirement for completion of the Waterworks Scheme for a fee of £750. RESOLVED, also, That a joint meeting of this Committee and the Street and Highway Committee be held to consider as to the salary to be offered for the post of Borough Engineer and Surveyor.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 21st March, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Margrett, Moore and Pates ; Councillors Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Margrett in the chair)

1—Diseases Amongst Animals—Superintendent Wayman reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

2—Hackney Carriage Licences—Transfer—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. K. R. Payne for the transfer of Licence No 51 to Taxi Cab Registered No. OT 4276, be granted.

3—Fire Brigade—(a) Report of Captain—The Captain reported that no outbreak of fire had occurred since the last meeting.

(b) Engine—The Committee re-considered the question of the conversion of the tyres of the Fire Engine. The Captain reported that with solid tyres the machine was dangerous to drive on the modern smooth road surfaces, and very difficult to steer on soft ground. Read, also, letter from Messrs. Haines & Strange strongly advising the Committee to provide pneumatic tyres. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. Haines & Strange of £62 3s. 0d. for supplying two front hubs with two new wheels with pneumatic tyres complete and spare wheel and tyre and for fixing and painting be accepted.

4—Domestic Servants Registries—Superintendent Wayman reported that all the agencies in the Borough had recently been visited, and the books inspected and found in order.

5—Omnibus Services—Read, letter from the Bath Tramways Motor Co. Ltd. asking if there would be any objection to their omnibuses parking in Imperial Square outside the Queen's Hotel for about 30 minutes during their stop in Cheltenham on their tour to Blackpool. RESOLVED, That no objection be made to this proposal.

6—Shops Acts—Read, report of the Shops Inspector of a contravention of the Shops Acts by a trader on the 10th instant. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write cautioning the trader against any further breach of the Acts.

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7—Borough Arms—Read, letter from the Hon. Secretary of the Midland and South-Western Counties Convention of Bee-keepers, asking for permission to print the Borough Arms on their programmes in connection with their forthcoming Conference at the Town Hall. RESOLVED, That no objection be made to this.

8—Unemployment Insurance Acts—RESOLVED, That Mr. R. J. Browning, Clerk in the Borough Treasurer's Department, be added to the Certificate of Exception under this Act, as he will complete three years' service in a designated post on the 31st inst.

9—**Aerodrome**—Read, letter of 6th instant from the Town Clerk of Gloucester, asking for the Council's observations on a letter received by him from the Air Ministry stating that application had been received by the Ministry for permission to establish a Civil Aerodrome on a site at Sandycroft near Gloucester about one mile from the site of the proposed Municipal Aerodrome, and that if the application is granted it would probably be impossible to grant a licence at a later date for the proposed Municipal Aerodrome, and enquiring if it was intended to proceed with the Municipal Scheme. The Town Clerk reported that he had been informed by the Town Clerk of Gloucester that if the site of the proposed Municipal Aerodrome was acquired, the firm by whom the present application was made would be prepared to lay out the site and take a lease thereof on terms to be arranged. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to authorise the **Town Planning Committee** to appoint a **Sub-Committee** to consider the matter and confer with the representatives of the Gloucester Corporation and report thereon.

10—Detention of Stray Dogs—The Town Clerk submitted memorial received from 25 ratepayers of the nuisance caused by the noise from stray dogs detained at the Market. Superintendent Wayman reported that at this time of the year, there were rather more stray dogs than usual, and he anticipated that in a short time the number would be reduced. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to inform the memorialists accordingly.

11-9 Hewlett Street—The Town Clerk submitted memorial signed by 31 residents in the Berkeley Street district complaining of the nuisance caused by the running of a saw mill at these premises RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to point out to the memorialists that the nuisance complained of is not one in which the Corporation can take action.

12—Gordon Lamp—Read, letters from the Secretary Cheltenham Scottish Society, asking the Committee to consider placing a tablet on the Gordon Lamp recording that this was erected as a memorial to General Gordon. RESOLVED, That the Society be informed that the Committee cannot provide a tablet, but that they will grant permission for a tablet approved by the Committee to be provided.

13—Automatic Weighing Machines— the Committee considered application from the British Automatic Machine Company for a reduction in the rent of the various automatic and slot machines. RESOLVED, That the rents of the various machines be reduced to £30, and that the Company be authorised to place a weighing machine in the Gentlemen's Convenience at Leckhampton at a rent of £2 per annum.

14—Market --The Committee considered the tolls payable in respect of stalls at the Market, together with report of the Chief Sanitary Inspector thereon. RESOLVED, That no alteration in the charges be made,

15—Cinematograph Act—The Town Clerk submitted circular of 6th instant from the Home Office in regard to children and " A " Films, and setting out revised model conditions recommended by the Home Office. The Town Clerk reported that with the exception of two minor conditions, these conditions were already included in the existing licences, and he proposed to insert the additional conditions when the next licences were issued. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

16—International Union of Local Authorities —Read, circular asking the Council to continue their membership of this Union RESOLVED, That this be agreed to, and that the sum of £1 1s. 0d per annum be subscribed,

17—Unemployed—Read, circular of 7th instant from the Ministry of Health that it was the desire of the Government to encourage the efforts being made to meet the lack of occupation which formed such a serious factor in the present situation of unemployed persons, and setting out suggestions by which local authorities may be able to assist local voluntary organisations in the provision of suitable occupations such as provision of allotments, physical training, technical instruction and educational classes etc. RESOLVED, That the Ministry be informed that the Council are prepared to render any assistance possible, and that they have already rendered assistance by letting ground for allotments. RESOLVED, also, That the circular be referred to the Education Committee.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 13th March, 1933. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Col. Biggs, Morris, Waite, J. F. Ward and Yarnold; Messrs. Castle and Clarkson (Councillor J. F. Ward in the chair).

1—Allotment-18 Alma Road—RESOLVED, That the application of the Tenant of this Allotment to be released on 25th March be not acceded to, unless he could arrange to find another suitable tenant.

2—Alston Lawn Estate Allotments—Theft of Bulbs, etc.—Read, report of Superintendent Wayman as to the theft of bulbs from the Allotments taken over by the Corporation RESOLVED, That he be requested to take proceedings against the offenders.

J. F. WARD,

Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 13th March, 1933. Present—Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, Waite, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Sandford Park—Storm Water Sewer—RESOLVED, That the Public Health Committee be requested to postpone this work until the Autumn.

2—Pittville Park—Read letter from Mrs. Cartwright, asking that concrete slabs should be laid at the foot of the seats. RESOLVED, That this be not acceded to.

3—St. Mark's Recreation Ground—Hard Tennis Courts—Read, letter from the Brooklyn Lawn Tennis Club, asking what the charge would be for taking one Court only. RESOLVED, That a charge of £25 be made,

4—Naunton Park Recreation Ground—(a) Cricket Pitch—RESOLVED, That permission be granted to the SS. Phillip and James' Bible Class Cricket Club to play during the 1933 Season on alternate Saturdays.

(b) The Town Clerk reported that 12s 6d. had now been paid by the five boys for the damage caused to the goalposts.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 17th March, 1933. Present—Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Dr. Curling Hayward ; and Mr. F. B. de Sausmarez (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—Visits-6,647 (against 3,219).

Receipts—Catalogues, Postcards, "Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund," etc. £5 8s. 9d.

Permanent Collection—Following the Exhibition by members of the Royal Society of British Artists, the Permanent Collection had been rehung.

"Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund"—The Curator had purchased a Cotswold Bronze Wool-Weight, period George III, for £3 3s. Od.

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2—Donations—From Mrs. Agg, Doll, c1830 ; An Anonymous Donor, Wedgewood Supper Set (17 pieces), Crown Derby China (36 pieces), Lambeth Delft Sack Bottle, 1650, Rockingham Candlestick, French Porcelain Candlestick, Chinese Porcelain Basin, and Pot Pourri Dish ; Mrs. M. Greg, Deed of Apprenticeship, Minchinhampton, 1796 ; the Hon. Lady Henniker Heaton, two silk Waistcoats, English, c1750 ; Hereford Museum, Wheelwright's Boxing Machine, pair of Ox-Hames ; Mr. Frank Strickland, Bronze Age Food Vessel, c600 B.C., from the Slade Farm, Salperton ; Dr. Oliver H. Wild, Powder Flask, Papier Mache Patch Box RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

3—Loan—From Miss Ellery Anderson, Scent Bottle of Bristol Glass.

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

4—£1,000 All-British House Competition Drawings and Models--RESOLVED, That the Curator be authorised to arrange for this Exhibition, when convenient, and that a proportionate charge of £5 5s. Od. for carriage etc., be paid to the Incorporated Association of Architects and Surveyors.

5—Handicraft Exhibition—Read, letter from the Education Committee asking for the use of the Art Gallery for an Exhibition of practical work done in the Schools and Practical Instruction Shops. RESOLVED, That this be granted.

6—Pictures for Town Hall—RESOLVED, That the Curator submit to the Chairman of this Committee such pictures as may be available for display at the Town Hall.

7—Easter Holidays—RESOLVED, That the Art Gallery and Museum be closed on Good Friday, and open on Easter Saturday, 15th April, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and on Easter Monday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

8—Date of next Meeting—RESOLVED, That the next Meeting of this Committee take place on May 12th.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 24th March, 1933. Present—Councillors Selim Smith and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of the Superintendent for the period from 25th February, to 24th March, 1933. Interments 72 ; Grave Spaces sold 25 (First Position 1, Second Position 4, Third Position 4, Fourth Position 16) ; Memorials erected 7; New Inscriptions 13.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8750 to 8774 (both inclusive).

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following Designs be approved :—Cross, Base and Kerbing to graves of Margaret Ida Howell, Averil Diana Clarke, and Walter J. H. Pilley ; Crucifix and Figure, Kerbing and Footstone to grave of Mickeline Folca ; Headstone and Kerbing to graves of Jane Newberry Boschetti, Wilfred Ludlow Organ, and George Henry Bliss ; Scroll and Kerbing to graves of William Charles Jones, and Henry James Cochrane ; Kerbing and Posts to graves of Reginald P. Weaver, William Meredith Philips and Charlotte Elizabeth Philips, Harriett Agnes Tandy and Alfred Tandy, James Berry and Thomas Berry, and Rosetta Berry ; Headstone to existing Kerbing to grave of William Henry Doogood and Eugenie Ellen Doogood ; Slab to existing Headstone and Kerbing to grave of S. Montague Hebblethwaite ; Headstone to grave of Emily Elizabeth Gorin ; Kerbing to grave of George Harry Hooper.

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

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RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 2nd March, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Thomas and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—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 applied for, but to be deferred in some cases whilst weekly payments as now settled by the Committee are regularly paid.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 7th March, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Moore ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

2—Gaumont Palace—The Committee inspected the new Gaumont Palace.

3—Second Valuation—Read, circular of the 3rd instant from the Clerk to the County Council that the County Council had adopted a recommendation of the County Valuation Committee that all licensed premises should be referred to Messrs. Eve & Son for valuation, and asking for a list of all the licensed premises to be forwarded to Messrs. Eve & Son. RESOLVED, That the Committee agree to the licensed premises being valued by Messrs. Eve & Son.

P. P. TAYLOR, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 14th March, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

4—Gaumont Palace—The Committee met and settled the assessment of the New Gaumont Picture Palace.

P. P. TAYLOR, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 27th March, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor; and Councillor Yarnold (Tice Deputy Mayor in the chair).

5—Proposals—The Committee considered the proposals made by the Rating and Valuation Officers. RESOLVED, That these be submitted for the revision of Assessments as now settled by the Committee.

6—Remission of Rates—The Committee interviewed and dealt with applicants for the excusal of Rates

7—Assessment of Reconditioned or Improved Premises—The Town Clerk submitted circular of the 16th inst. from the Central Valuation Committee in regard to the assessment of premises which have been reconditioned or improved.

8—Defaulters—The Committee interviewed and dealt with persons who had not complied with the Orders of the Magistrates for payment of Rates, and gave instructions for Committal Orders to be applied for, but in some cases to be suspended whilst weekly payments as now settled by the Committee, were regularly paid.

P. P. TAYLOR, Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 22nd March, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Aldermen Margrett and Moore ; Councillors Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Estimates for Rate—The Estimates for the Rate were considered. RESOLVED, That the same, as now settled, be approved, and submitted to the Council, and that they be recommended to make a General Rate of 10s 4d. in the £ for the year.

2-3 per cent. Stock—The Borough Treasurer reported that a parcel of £7,500 3 per cent. Stock had been offered. RESOLVED, That he be authorised to purchase this on the terms now approved by the Committee.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 28th March, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Moore; Councillors Leigh James, Miller, Waite and E. L. Ward (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

3—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 24th inst., on the collection of the Second Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £102,937. Leaving outstanding £5,122.

4—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 24th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 31st March, 1933. Amount collected £19,777. Leaving outstanding £1,514.

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

Date. 1932. Purpose. Amount. Period of Repayment.

18th March Sewers for cul-de-sac off Spenser Road £236 30 years.

13th March Contingencies, Clerk of Works etc., 32 houses at St. Mark's £368 60 years.

18th March Roadwork for cul-de-sac off Spenser Road £1,494 20 years.

6—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on 28th inst. Present—The Deputy Mayor (in the chair) ; Alderman Moore ; and Councillor Miller.

The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

7—Loans—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £2,500 on loan RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

8—Superannuation—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that C. J. Brookes, late of Pittville Pump Room, died on the 20th inst. RESOLVED, That his widow be refunded the amount of his contributions, with interest amounting to £43 8s. 2d.

(b) RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Water Committee, That the post of third Assistant in the Water Office be designated for the purposes of the Superannuation Scheme, and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for approval thereof.

9—Borough Treasurer's Department—The Borough Treasurer reported that the following members of his staff were successful at the recent examinations of the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants (Incorporated) R. J. Browning (Intermediate). C. P. G. Neat (Final Part 1). E. J. B. Wills (Final Part 2).

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10—Auditor's Report—The Town Clerk read the District Auditor's Report of the Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1932. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the various Committees concerned for their consideration.

11—Conference—Read, circular from the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants inviting the attendance of delegates to the Annual Conference of the Institute to be held at Folkestone from the 28th to 30th June next. RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Borough Treasurer be appointed to attend.

12—Bank Account—The Borough Treasurer reported negotiations with Lloyds Bank in regard to the interest on credit balances of the Corporation accounts. RESOLVED, That the terms provisionally arranged with the Local Bank Manager be approved.

13—Housing Rents—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that the falling rates of interest during the past year made it possible to reduce the rents of the 611 houses erected under the Housing Act, 1924, by about 6d. a week RESOLVED, That subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health, the rents be reduced accordingly.

(b) The Borough Treasurer reported that as previously mentioned a large number of tenants were entitled to a rebate of 3d. and 6d. a week during the past year on account of reduction in the rates, and this sum had been credited to the tenants. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

14—Report of Committee on Local Expenditure—The Town Clerk submitted Circular 1,311 of the 22nd inst. from the Ministry of Health with their observations on this report. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee, and in the meantime, the Chairman be asked to consider the same.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

STREET & HIGHWAY AND WATER COMMITTEES. (Joint Meeting).

At a Special Joint Meeting of these Committees held on Monday, 20th March, 1933. Present—Aldermen Margrett, Moore, Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Dr. Hayward, Lipson, Morris, Thomas and Yarnold (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Borough Surveyor and Water Engineer—The Committee considered the appointment of Borough Surveyor and Water Engineer. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to invite applications for the combined appointment of Borough Surveyor and Water Engineer at a salary of £800 per annum rising by four annual increments of £50 to £1,000 per annum, the appointment to be subject to the provisions of the Local Government and other Officers Superannuation Act, 1922, and to be determinable by three months' notice on either side. RESOLVED, also, That the following be appointed a Sub-Committee to approve the list of duties, and to select candidates for interview by the Joint Committee :—The Mayor ; Aldermen Margrett and Pates ; Councillors Pruen and E. L. Ward.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham.

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 27th April, 1933.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on MONDAY, the 1st day of May, 1933, 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 Meeting.
2. Communications by the Mayor.
3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—

THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE ,, HOUSING COMMITTEE and to accept tender for new houses, Alstone Lawn Estate, and to authorise sale of Nos. 5 and 12 Spenser Avenue. STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE WINTER GARDEN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE and to accept tenders for Kiosks, Transformers and Shurdington Overhead line. 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. CHELTENHAM DISTRICT TRACTION CO. LTD.-Letter re Modification of Local Omnibus Services.

5. To appoint a Representative Trustee of Delancey Hospital to fill vacancy caused by expiration of term of office of Lt.-Col. J. H. H. Jones.

6. 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 April, 1933, at 3 p.m. Present :

The Mayor (Councillor Capt. John Henry Trye, C.B.E., R.N., J.P.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P.).

Aldermen Margrett, C.B.E., J.P., C.A., Moore, Pates and Sawyer Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, O.B.E., Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, M.A., Dr. Hayward, M. B.E., M.B., B.S., Leigh James, Lipson, M.A., Miller, Morris, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Selim Smith, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward and Yarnold.

Apology—An apology for absence was received from Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham.

1—Minutes of Previous Meetings—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 6th March, 1933, 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 March 13

Housing Meeting held March 16

Resolved, also, That the Committee be authorised to accept a tender for reconditioning Nos. 5, 6 and 7 Portman Terrace.

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Street and Highway Meeting held March 20

Town Planning Meeting held March 23

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Lipson and seconded by Alderman Moore: "That Minute No. 8 in regard to the Municipal Aerodrome be referred back for further consideration " was lost).

Town Improvement and Spa Meetings held March 17, 24, 27 and 31

Subject to the following Amendments :--Moved by the Deputy Mayor and seconded by Councillor Yarnold : " That Minute No. 13 in regard to Sunday Games in Montpellier Gardens be referred back."

Moved by Councillor Lipson and seconded by Councillor Yarnold : " That Minute No. 9 (a) in regard to the charge for Grammar School girls attending the Montpellier Baths, be referred back for further consideration."

Resolved, also, That the Scheme for converting one cooling pond into a Swimming Bath be approved, but that the Committee be instructed and authorised to carry out the proposal to adapt two ponds, if this can be carried out at a reasonable extra cost.

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held March 27

Water Meeting held March 14

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held March 21

Resolved, also, That the application of Messrs. Jay's Furnishing Stores for a certificate of exemption from closing and extension of hours for retail sales under the Shops Acts, 1912 and 1928 for their

Exhibition to be held in the Imperial Rooms, Promenade, from the 3rd to the 8th April, 1933 be granted, and 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 Exhibition as the retail trade in connection with the Exhibition would be subsidiary or ancillary only to the main purpose of the Exhibition which is advertisement, and that in respect of such retail trade or business, 9 o'clock in the evening shall be substituted for the general closing hours fixed by such Act, subject to the condition that the assistants employed shall receive a half-holiday during the week ending the 8th April, 1933.

Allotments Meeting held March 13

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held March 13

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held March 17

Burial Board Meeting held March 24

Rating Meetings held March 2, 7, 14 and 27

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Finance Meetings held March 22 and 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, and such additional sums as may become payable during the month in respect of current Contracts upon the Certificate of the Architect or Officer under whom the work is carried out.

Street and Highway and Water (Joint Meeting) Meeting held March 20

Subject to an Amendment moved by the Mayor and seconded by Councillor Lt.-Col. Biggs : "That the increments in the salary of the new Borough Surveyor and Water Engineer be bi-annual instead of annual."

Resolved, also, That Councillors Pruen and E. L. Ward be added to the Joint Committee of the Street and Highway and Water Committees for the purpose of the appointment of Borough Surveyor and Water Engineer.

3—General Rate— Resolved, That the General Rate Fund being insufficient for the purposes to which it is applicable by law and the Council having made an estimate of the amount required for those purposes (including the amount required for the purposes of the Public Libraries Acts) during the period commencing on the First day of April, 1933 and terminating on the Thirty-first day of March, 1934, and to defray any expenditure which may fall to be defrayed before the date on which the moneys to be received in respect of the next subsequent rate will become available and for the purpose of paying the sums payable during the said period to other Authorities under the precepts issued by them a General Rate of 10s 4d. in the on the rateable value of each hereditament as shown in the Valuation List and in the form shown in the Bate Books be and the same is hereby made and approved in respect of the period commencing on the First day of April, 1933 and

terminating on the Thirty-first day of March, 1934, and that the said rate be payable by two instalments namely, One moiety thereof forthwith and the other moiety thereof to be payable on the First day of October, 1.933 and That the Common Seal of the Council be affixed hereto. Also, That Notice of the said rate be given within seven days after the making thereof by affixing notice of the same in some public or conspicuous places in the Borough.

4—Floral Fete—Resolved, That the Council agree to contribute the sum of £15 towards the Prize Fund of the Floral Fete.

J. H. TRYE,

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, 1st May, 1933.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 10th April, 1933. Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Clara Winterbotham, Margrett and Moore ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Morris, Pruen, Waite, L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor Pruen in the chair).

1—Insanitary Property at (a) 25 Queen Street and 3 Princes Terrace—The Committee having considered the representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses are satisfied that the said houses are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation in the respect mentioned in the said official representation, and that they are capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Sub-section 1 of Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1930, notice be given to the persons having control of the houses requiring them to execute the works to be specified in the notices which will in the opinion of the Committee render the houses fit for human habitation.

(b) 22 Glenfall Street and 63 Fairview Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee on the 14th November, 1932, the works specified to be done at these premises had now been carried out to his satisfaction by Mr. A. J. Hyatt at a cost of £4 18s. 6d. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Owners for payment.

2—Nuisances from Drains etc. at (a) 18 and 20 Great Western 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 premises 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) 13 to 17 Kew Place—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 specified work within 28 days.

(c) 54 and 55 Upper Norwood Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Owners of these premises desired the Corporation to carry out the necessary drainage work at their cost and apportion the cost between them, and he submitted tenders for carrying out the work. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. S. C. Morris & Sons, Ltd., amounting to £26 3s. 0d. (being the lowest) be accepted.

(d) Oak Villa, Gloucester Road—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the estimated cost of laying new four inch iron drain from the sewer to the boundary of these premises amounted to £14 15s. 0d., the old drain having been damaged by the roots of a tree in Gloucester Road. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to pay the cost of laying new drains not exceeding the sum of £14 15s. 0d.

(e) 50 and 52 Union Street—The Town Clerk reported that Mrs. Hobbs, the Owner of 50 and 52 Union Street had offered to pay the outstanding amount due for drainage work and for making up Brighton Road by quarterly instalments of £2 10s. 0d., and had asked that the appointment of Mr. Fitzroy Fowles as Receiver of the rents should be withdrawn. RESOLVED, That the Committee agree to withdraw the Receiver on the understanding that if the quarterly instalments are not regularly and promptly paid, the Council will reappoint the Receiver.

(f) 9 and 11 St. James' Street—The Town Clerk reported that the sum of £4 11s. 4d. with interest as from the 13th ult., was due in respect of drainage expenses carried out under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, at these premises. RESOLVED, That an order be made declaring these expenses to be private improvement expenses and that in pursuance of Section 106 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, Mr. W. Fitzroy Fowles be appointed Receiver of the Rents of the said premises, and that the Common Seal be affixed to a copy of this resolution

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3--Houses unfit for Human Habitation--(a) 5a Roman Road and 24 Grosvenor Street—The Committee further considered the question of making Closing Orders in respect of 5a Roman Road and the basement rooms of 24 Grosvenor Street. RESOLVED, That the Council, being satisfied that the above mentioned parts of the said premises, which are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation, and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and no undertakings having been given by the Owners to carry out the work required to render the premises fit for human habitation or as to the future user of the said parts of the said buildings, Orders be now made under the Common Seal in pursuance of Section 20 of the Housing Act, 1930, prohibiting the use of the said rooms for human habitation.

(b) 1 to 7 Ambrose Place : 1 to 8 Knapp Place ; Holly Cottage, New Street ; and 27 Russell Street—The Committee considered official representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses and also report of Rota Sub-Committee thereon, RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied

that the above mentioned dwellinghouses are unfit for human habitation and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, notices be given under Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, to the Owners, to the persons having control of the houses, and Mortgagees, if any, that the condition of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or the future user of the houses will be considered at a meeting of this Committee to be held on 7th June next.

(c) 8a Commercial Street ; 2 Brookbank Cottages ; 35 Tewkesbury Road ; 6 Rutland Street; 28 and 29 Rutland Street ; 1, 2 and 3 Cottage Place (formerly called Pear Tree Cottages)—The Committee further considered the question of making of Demolition Orders in respect of these premises. Read, letter from Mr. H. Stroud in regard to 35 Tewkesbury Road ; read also, letters from Owners of 28 and 29 Rutland Street and 1, 2 and 3 Cottage Place, consenting to Demolition Orders being made.

RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the dwelling-houses, which are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes are unfit for human habitation, and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and no undertakings having been given by the Owners with respect to the carrying out of work or the future user of the houses, Demolition Orders be now made by the Council in pursuance of Sub-Section (3) of Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, requiring that the houses shall be vacated within 28 days from the date on which the Order becomes operative, and that the premises shall be demolished within six weeks after the expiration of the above mentioned period, or if the houses are not vacated by that date, within six weeks after the date on which they are vacated.

(d) Repton, Hewlett Street and 56 Grosvenor Street—RESOLVED, That consideration of the question of making Closing Orders in respect of part of these premises be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

(e) 2a, 3a, 4 and 7a Rutland Street and Higgs' Cottages, Alstone Lane—RESOLVED, That consideration of the question of making Demolition Orders in respect of these premises be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

4—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 1 cwt. 3 qrs. 7 lbs. Beef ; 2 qrs. 13 lbs. Mutton ; 1 cwt. Pork ; 14 lbs. Poultry ; and 10 tins of Peas, Plums, Beef, Ox-tail and Sardines.

5-Milk and Dairies Order, 1926-RESOLVED, That the applications of H. T. Tombs of Brook Farm, Badgeworth, and S. T. Lulham of Field House, Shurdington, to be registered as Retail Purveyors of Milk within the Borough, be granted subject to compliance with the usual conditions.

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

7—Public Conveniences—(a) The Borough Surveyor reported that on the 30th and 31st ult., the flush boxes in the conveniences at Wellington Passage and St. George's Place were pulled down ; also that the electric fittings in Church Street urinal were pulled out and the globes removed ; and the seats in the Leckhampton Road and St. George's Place conveniences were broken to pieces. RESOLVED. That

a reward of £10 be offered for information leading to the conviction of any person or persons who caused the damage.

(b) The **Rota Sub-Committee** reported that they had met on the 6th inst., and inspected suggested sites for the erection of public conveniences at Pittville and St. Mark's RESOLVED, That the proposal to provide a convenience in the Pittville district be not proceeded with at present, but that in regard to the St. Mark's convenience, the Town Clerk be instructed to ask the L.M.S. Railway Company if they would sell or lease the small piece of land at the Midland Station on the corner of Queen's Road and Gloucester Road for the erection of a public convenience.

8—Barn Farm—RESOLVED, That if Mr. Rymer fixes a bath and lavatory basin at the Barn Farmhouse at a cost not exceeding £12, the Corporation agree to take to this at a valuation when he quits the tenancy of the farm.

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9—Extension of Sewer—Hatherley Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that he estimated the cost of extending the sewer and surface water drain in Hatherley Road to provide for the 35 houses proposed to be erected by Messrs. Wheeler & Mansell at £1,037, Messrs. Wheeler & Mansell were willing to give up the land required for the widening of the road, and to pay half the cost of making up the new footpath, and also to deposit half the cost of the extensions of the sewer, namely £180 to be deposited in respect of the extension for 12 houses, to be returnable when these were completed and occupied. A further deposit of £180 to be made in respect of the extensions for the second lot of 12 houses, to be returnable by instalments of £30 as each pair of houses was completed and occupied, and a further deposit of £165 to be made in respect of the extension for the remaining 11 houses to be returnable by instalments of £30 as each pair of houses was completed and occupied. RESOLVED, That this arrangement be approved subject to Messrs. Wheeler & Mansell entering into an agreement to be prepared by the Town Clerk. RESOLVED, also, That subject to sanction to loan being obtained, the Borough Surveyor be instructed to proceed with the work. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £1,037 for the cost of carrying out the extension.

10—Health Department—fa) Read, application from Mr. Townsend, assistant Sanitary Inspector and Disinfecter, for an increase in his salary. Since his salary was reduced by £30 in 1922, his duties at the Disinfecter had increased RESOLVED, That his salary be increased by £15 per annum.

(b) RESOLVED, That Mr. Jefford's motor car allowance be increased to £60 per annum.

11—Offensive Trade—Fish Frier—Application was received from Mr. W. J. Dyer for consent to the establishment of the trade of a fish frier at a shop to be erected on a site in Tennyson Road. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Section 44 of the Public Health Act, 1925, consent to establishment of the trade of a fish frier on the proposed premises be given under the Common Seal for a period of three years, provided the apparatus for fish frying is approved by the Medical Officer of Health and installed to his satisfaction, and to the room in which the fish frying is to be carried on complying with the requirements of the Medical Officer of Health.

12—Slum Clearance—The Town Clerk submitted Circular 1331 of the 6th inst. from the Ministry of Health, urging local authorities to expedite the abatement of the slums, and stating that the Ministry considered it necessary to fix a limited time for the work, and to prepare a timetable for the progress and completion of the work within five years, and asking the Council to prepare and adopt a programme comprising a list of areas in which clearance is necessary, a list of improvement areas, a timetable for initiation, progress and completion, and a timetable of re-housing. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Medical Officer of Health for consideration and report.

13—Smoke Nuisance—Read, letter of 8th inst. from the Dammann Asphalt Company stating that they had ordered a Fraser and Chalmer's Filter Plant for dealing with the dust nuisance, and enclosing letter from Fraser and Chalmer's Engineering Works guaranteeing delivery within four working weeks. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

14—Royal Sanitary Institute—Read, circular of 6th inst. inviting the attendance of delegates to a sessional meeting to be held at Weston-Super-Mare on the 12th May. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

15—Conferences—Read, circulars from the Sanitary Inspectors Association, the National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis and the National Veterinary Association, inviting the attendance of delegates to their respective Annual Conferences. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

ARTHUR S. F. PRUEN,

Chairman.

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HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 12th April, 1933. Present—Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward and Morris (Alderman Pates in the chair).

1—**Selection of Tenants and Repairs Sub-Committee**—Read, report of the Sub-Committee at their meeting held on 7th inst.

They recommended as follows (inter alia) :—

(a) Alstone Lawn Estate—That provision be made in the contract for the new houses for a brick built shed, and that standard designs of sheds be prepared for erection by tenants on the other housing estates.

RESOLVED, That the recommendation as to the standard design for sheds be approved, but with regard to the Alstone Estate, that Mr. Rainger be asked to submit alternative estimates for the provision of a wooden and brick shed.

2—Housing Department—The Chairman reported that Miss Hort had interviewed two applicants for the post of pupil trainee, and that Miss Keith had been appointed at a salary of £2 per week, the appointment to be terminable by one month's notice, RESOLVED, That this be approved.

3-5, 6 and 7 Portman Terrace--The Sanitary Inspector submitted tenders for the demolition and reconstruction of these premises, so as to provide for one one-bedroom house, and one two-bedroom house, to be let at 3s 6d. and 7s 6d. per week respectively. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. E. A. Eggleton of £218 7s. 0d. (being the lowest), be accepted subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

4-15 Burton Street—The Sanitary Inspector submitted tenders for reconditioning these premises, and reported that the tenant had offered to pay a rent of 6s per week when the repairs were executed. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. H. E. Bardwell of £51 10s. 0d. (being the lowest), be accepted subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

5—Slum Clearance—The Town Clerk submitted Circular 1331 of the 6th inst. from the Ministry of Health in regard to expediting the clearance of the slums, and reported that the Public Health Committee were preparing a programme and timetable as requested by the Ministry.

6—St. Mark's Housing Estate—Offensive Trade—RESOLVED, That this Committee approve of the erection of a fried fish shop on the site reserved for shops on the St. Mark's Housing Estate on the conditions approved by the Public Health Committee.

7—Conferences—(a) Read, circular from the Royal Institute of British Architects inviting the attendance of delegates to the Annual Conference to be held at Cambridge in June next. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

(b) Read, circular from the National Housing and Town Planning Council inviting the attendance of delegates to the Annual Conference of Local Authorities in Gloucestershire, Somerset, Wiltshire and Dorset, to be held at Bristol on the 18th May. RESOLVED, That the Chairman, Town Clerk and Miss Hort be appointed to attend, and also any of the Committee who are able to do so.

8-Swindon Place and Swindon Passage and Bubb's Cottages Clearance Areas-The Town Clerk reported that the Local Inquiry into the Clearance Orders had been fixed for the 2nd May at 10.45 a.m. at the Municipal Offices.

9—Alstone Lawn Estate—Shop Site—The Town Clerk reported that the Town Planning Committee had fixed the building line for the site for six shops on this estate at 15 feet as from the boundary, and submitted draft contract to be entered into with Mr. Andrews for the sale of the corner site. The contract provided for the plans and elevations to be approved by the Committee, and that the purchaser should pave the land in front of the building line immediately in front of the shop fronts, and that no placards or other goods to be displayed on the land to be paved at a distance of more than three feet from the shop fronts, and also that no advertisements should be displayed on any of the main walls and fences. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

10-19 Rutland Street—The Sanitary Inspector submitted tenders for the provision of a new W.C. at these premises. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. E. A. Eggleton of £10 17s. 9d. (being the lowest), be accepted.

11-77 Duke Street and Cottages at rear—The Sanitary Inspector reported that these premises had now been reconditioned, and that the Borough Treasurer recommended that the rent should be fixed at 7s per week for 77 Duke Street, and 10s per week for 79 Duke Street. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

J. P. PATES, Chairman.

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STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 19th April, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Lipson, H. W. Thomas and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Annual Tenders—The Borough Surveyor submitted letter from Messrs. Jackson & Painter asking to be allowed, owing to a mistake, to amend their tender accepted for coloured cotton waste. RESOLVED, That the tender of the Premiere Polish Company be accepted.

2—Direction Sign---High Street—RESOLVED, That consideration of the application of the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce for the provision of a sign directing to Stroud and Bath in High Street at the junction of Bath Road, be adjourned for view.

3—Ark Gardens—RESOLVED, That a bath and geyser be provided for the house at Ark Gardens at an estimated cost of £14.

4—Hatherley Road and Tryes Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that Messrs. Wheeler & Mansell who proposed to build 35 houses in Hatherley Road, and that Mr. G. A. M. Hall who had erected houses in Tyres Road, were willing to give up the land for the widening of the road, and to pay half the cost of making up the addition to the road, subject to the Corporation agreeing to take over the widened portions of the roads. RESOLVED, That these offers be accepted.

5—America Passage--The Borough Surveyor reported that he had looked up the plan of America Passage but did not find that Messrs. Lance & Co had given up any land beyond a give-and-take line in order to straighten the entrance from High Street when their new premises were erected in 1905. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to point this out to Messrs. Lance & Co. and to require them to move the slot machines and other obstructions placed in the passage.

6—Streamer across Colonnade—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Musical Festival to place a streamer across the Colonnade be granted for a period not exceeding six days of the Festival, subject to the usual conditions.

7—Safety Week—Read, circular of 31st ult. from the National Safety First Association, asking the Corporation to consider holding a Safety Week in the Borough. RESOLVED, That this circular be

referred to the Education Committee with a suggestion that some special instructions should be given to school children, and that if any literature and photographs are required, the Committee will be prepared to supply these.

8—Naunton Lane—Read, letter of 29th ult. from the Education Secretary, that the Education Committee suggested that as the local omnibus service now used Naunton Lane, the Committee should consider providing a footpath on both sides of the road RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for view.

9—Clarence Road—RESOLVED, That consideration of the Electricity Committee's application for the removal of a tree at the corner of Clarence Road and Evesham Road be adjourned for view.

10—Carriage of Goods—Read, letter of 22nd ult. from the Great Western Railway Company, suggesting that in considering acceptance of tenders, consideration should be given as far as possible, to traders who use rail transport or that reasonable influence should be brought to bear on contractors to ensure that goods ordered by the Corporation are railborne. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

11—Petrol Pump—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. J. H. Horsman for permission to erect a petrol pump on his premises in Roman Road with swing arm over the footpath be granted subject to the approval of the Town Planning Committee, and to the usual agreement being entered into.

12—Projecting Sign—The Chairman reported that in pursuance of his authority, he had granted the application of Mr. E. W. Wally for a projecting sign outside his premises at 34 Duke Street.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

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MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 19th April, 1933. Present—Alderman Clara Winterbotham ; Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Lipson, J. F. Ward and Yarnold. Mesdames E. Booy, L. Grist, E. C. Gurney and W. L. Mellersh (Councillor Leigh James in the chair).

1—Cheltenham Infant Welfare Association—Quarterly Report—Read, Report for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1933

The attendances at the Centres had been as follows :—

	Infants.	Toddlers.
At Baker Street (13 Meetings) ...	29	34
At Clare Street (13 Meetings) ...	17.2	16
At Highbury (13 Meetings) ...	33.1	43.6
At St. Mark's (13 Meetings) ...	14	26.3

2—Health Visitors—Quarterly Report—The following is a summary of the work during the Quarter ended 31st March, 1933 .—

No. of Children on Register	2,454
Children Visited (1 year and under) ...	612
“ “ over 1 year)	635
Un-notified Births discovered ..	3
“ Home Visits paid by Health Visitors... ..	1,919
First Visits paid by Health Visitors ...	161
Attendances of Health Visitors at Centres	67
Children remitted to Hospital . ..	12
Ante-natal cases visited ...	26
Chicken Pox cases visited ...	3
Whooping Cough cases visited	14
Measles ...	2

Grants of Milk:

Carried over from previous quarter	95
New Orders ...	47
Orders discontinued during quarter	58
“ continuing to coming quarter	84

Children Act :	Health Visitors. School Nurses.	
No. of Children on Register during the Quarter	46	9
“ visits (under Children Act) paid	58	6

3—Midwives Acts—(a) The Medical of Health reported that notice of intention to practice had been received from Kathleen Matthews of the Infirmary, Swindon Road.

(b) Medical Assistance—The Medical Officer of Health reported that 59 applications had been received from Midwives for medical help during the period for the 1st January to 31st March, 1933, and that the total amount of doctors' fees paid for this period was £29 2s. 0d., of which £9 5s. 6d. was rechargeable to patients.

(c) The Medical Officer of Health reported that the following special notifications had been received from Midwives during the quarter ended 31st March, 1933 : Still-births 4 ; Deaths of Infants 2 ; Artificial feeding being necessary 2.

4--Puerperal Pyrexia and Fever Regulations—(a) The Medical Officer of Health reported that a request for a specialist opinion and for a blood examination had been received during the quarter, and had been acceded to and he was instructed to report as to repayment. The Medical Officer of Health submitted accounts for the provision of a special nurse in a notified case of Puerperal Pyrexia, and for treatment in the Delancey Hospital in one case. RESOLVED, That the accounts be passed for payment.

5—Dentistry—The Medical Officer of Health reported that 13 infants had attended the School Dentist in accordance with the arrangement made with the Education Committee.

6—Nursing Homes Registration Act, 1927—The Medical Officer of Health submitted application from Miss W. L. Timbrell for her premises at 15 Sydenham Villas Road to be registered as a Maternity Nursing Home under the Act, and recommended that the application should be granted, limited to one case. RESOLVED, That the premises be registered for not more than one case,

7—Conference—Read, circular from the National Association for the Prevention of Infant Mortality inviting the attendance of delegates to the annual Conference to be held in London from the 5th to 7th June next. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

8—Milk—The Medical Officer of Health reported that as authorised he had invited tenders for the supply of milk for the 12 months ending 28th February, 1934, and that the Chairman had accepted the lowest tender, namely, that of the Gloucestershire Dairy Co. Ltd. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

LEIGH JAMES,

Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 20th April, 1933. Present—Councillors Lt.-Col Biggs, Dr. Hayward, Morris, E. L. Ward and Yarnold ; Major J. H. Dent Brocklehurst Capt. Leschallas; Messrs. G. E. Arthurs, W. S. F. Harris and A. Wiggett (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.
3432	Trigg, Bros.	Two semi-detached houses, Arle Road.
3473	Wheeler & Mansell	35 houses, Hatherley Road.
3476	Baynes. A. L.	15 houses and shops, Tennyson Road (Amended Plan).
3477	Skinner, H. L.	Tool house, Capesthorne, Keynsham Road.
3481	Eckroyd, F. W.	Tool house, Oakcliffe, Keynsham Road (Amended Plan).
3493	Corpus Christi College, Oxford.	Two shops and flats, 182/183 High Street.
3498	Regan, F.	Stable and workshop, Milsom Street.
3505	Wakefield, H. G.	Summer house, 63 Gloucester Road
3506	Gloucestershire County Council	Fuel, tool and cycle house, Holland House, Lansdown Road.
3508	Fletcher, Mrs.	New bathroom, 4 Tivoli Street.
3509	Bendall & Sons	Motor house, Mead Road,
3510	Lloyd, H. J.	Cycle shed, Tryes Road.

3511	Chubb, S.	Cycle shed, 3 Brooklyn Road.
3512	Horsman, J. H.	Petrol pump and swing arm, 3 Roman Road.
3513	Hall, G. A. M.	8 semi-detached houses, Queens Road.
3514	Poulton, Miss F. N.	Detached house, Moorend Park Road.
3515	Holmes, Miss D.	Motor house, St. Anne's Terrace.
3516	Tarrs Woodworking Co. Ltd.	Two open sheds, Brunswick Street and Malthouse Lane.
3517	Instone, R. L.	Addition and conversion into two houses, Grove House, Montpellier Grove.
3518	Cleeveley, S. G.	New bay window, Carr's Hotel, Clarence Street.
3519	Williams, Mark & Co.	Preliminary plan for 6 houses, Painswick Road.
3520	J. R. Wilkins	Ice Rink, etc., Winter Gardens.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 3432, 3473, 3476, 3481, 3493, 3505, 3506, 3509, 3510, 3511, 3513, 3514, 3515, 3516, 3518 and 3520 be approved ; That Plan No. 3498 be approved as a temporary building, only subject to the condition that the building shall be removed within three calendar months after notice requiring its removal ; That Plan No. 3508 be approved subject to the drainage and sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector; That Plan No. 3512 be approved subject to the owner entering into an undertaking to remove the petrol pump behind the building line if and when required, and That Plans Nos. 3477, 3517 and 3519 be not approved.

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.
421	Stannard, G.	Development, Newlands, Evesham Road.
435	Purser, C.	Bungalow, Swindon.
436	Smith, C. E.	Bungalow, Warden Hill Road.
437	Colwell, E.	Bungalow, Leckhampton Hill
438	Corporation Electricity Undertaking	Overhead lines for supply to Shurdington, Badgeworth, Bamfurlong and Haydon.
439	_____	Lay-out of shop site, corner of Gloucester Road and Alstone Lane (Amended Plan).
440	_____	Alterations, Milestone House, Greet.
441	Birt, J. R.	Development Plan, Bouncers Lane.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 435, 437 and 439 be approved ; That Plan No. 438 be approved subject to the approval of the Air Ministry being obtained to the overhead lines near the site of the proposed Municipal Aerodrome ; That Plan No. 440 be approved subject to no claim for compensation being made in respect of the new work if it is found necessary to remove it in order to give effect to the provisions of the Scheme in relation to road widening or building lines ; That Plans Nos. 421, 436 and 441 be not approved and That Plan No. 421 be referred for the views of the Winchcomb Rural District Council.

3—Reviera Gardens, Tewkesbury Road—RESOLVED, That the Town Planning Assistant be instructed to inspect and report as to the building erected by Mr. Daft without plans having been submitted for approval.

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4—Land, Old Bath Road—(a) S. D. Bendall—Read, letters of the 6th and 14th instant from Mr. S. D. Bendall that he was prepared to sell his land which he purchased in February, 1929 for the sum of £180. RESOLVED. That as this land was purchased after the date of the approval by the Ministry of Health of the Resolution to prepare the Town Planning Scheme the Committee are unable to recommend the Council to purchase the land.

(b) C. A. Smith—Read, letter of the 31st ult. from the Ministry of Health stating that as the Corporation were unable to reach an agreement with Mr. Smith as to the price to be paid for his land, the matter should be submitted to arbitration. The Town Clerk reported that Mr. G. S. Giller had now arranged the following terms with Messrs. Bayley & Sons which he recommended the Council to accept. The price of the land to be £735 and Mr. Smith to have the right to remove his hay rick and the temporary dividing fence and two sheds, and the Corporation to pay Messrs. Bayley & Sons fee for negotiations and Vendor's cost of Conveyance. Mr. Giller pointed out that when previously valuing the land he was not aware the back land was producing a rental of £20 a year as against its agricultural value of £11 on which his official valuation was made. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to purchase the land on the terms mentioned, and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan for the cost.

5—Hatherley Road, Naunton Terrace and Tryes Road—RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Section 30 of the Public Health Act 1925, Orders be now made declaring the portions of Hatherley Road for a length of 335 yards west of its junction with Alma Road, Naunton Terrace for a length of 76 yards from its junction with Exmouth Street, and Tryes Road for a length of 100 yards from Painswick Road to be new streets for the purpose of the application thereto of the byelaws with respect to new streets.

6—Contravention of Byelaws--The Borough Surveyor reported that the motor house reported by him on 24th November last as having been erected at Douro Lodge without plans having been first submitted to and approved by the Committee, had not yet been removed. Read, letter of the 19th instant from Mr. G. Trenouth that the temporary building was erected for the purpose of housing materials in connection with permanent garages which he proposed to erect, and for which plans would be submitted in the course of a week or two, and that on completion of the new buildings the temporary building would be taken down and he hoped to get the new buildings completed by 1st August. RESOLVED, That Mr. Trenouth be required to remove the building forthwith and failing this, that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the building removed.

7—Proposed Executive Committee—Capt. Leschallas reported that all the District Councils and the County Council had agreed to the proposed Executive Committee except that no reply had yet been received from the Charlton Kings Urban District Council. RESOLVED, That the various Councils be asked to appoint two representatives each to attend a Meeting to consider the proposal to form a

Joint Committee, and that the Chairman and the Mayor be appointed the representatives of the Council

S—Prestbury Recreation Ground—Read, letter of the 12th instant from Mr. H. E. Ripley giving notice of his objection to part of his Field No. 248 being scheduled as a playing field. RESOLVED, That Mr. Ripley be informed that it is now too late for the Committee to amend the scheme but that he will have a further opportunity of raising his objection when the Inquiry into the draft scheme is held.

9—Town and Country Planning Act, 1932—Read, letter of the 13th instant from the Ministry of Health that the Minister thereby dispensed with the Preliminary Statement and proposals for development in connection with the Town ' Planning Scheme, and authorised the Cheltenham Town Council to proceed direct with the preparation of the draft scheme, and further directing that the period within which the draft scheme shall be adopted by the Council shall be eighteen months from this dispensation.

10—Old Bath Road—Chelt Walk—Read, letter of the 12th instant from Mr. Reginald Winterbotham that previous to Mr. Witts selling his strip of land to the Corporation, Mr. Witts had allowed him to have access to the Chelt for the purpose of obtaining a water supply for his garden, and asking whether the Corporation would permit him to put a two inch pipe from the stream under the wall erected by the Corporation, so that he could have a small pump erected and keep a garden tank filled RESOLVED, That Mr. Winterbotham be granted a wayleave for a pipe subject to an acknowledgment of 2s 6d. per annum, and to the wayleave being determinable at any time on three months notice.

E. L. WARD,

Chairman.

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WINTER GARDEN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 25th April, 1933, Present—The Mayor; Alderman Margrett ; Councillor Weech and Dr. Howell (Councillor Weech in the chair),

1—Winter Garden—Mr. Overbury and Mr. Wilkins attended and submitted revised plans and outline specification of the building. The Borough Surveyor submitted plan and estimate for the layout and construction of new approach roads at an estimated cost of £1,434. He estimated the cost of taking down and re-erecting the Bandstand at £200 and the cost of removing the railings and replacing the same with ornamental dwarf railings at £20. Mr. Wilkins agreed that the cost of constructing the roads in accordance with the specification of the Borough Surveyor, and the cost of moving the Bandstand should be borne by the Company.

Mr. Wilkins also agreed to make the following modifications in the plans :—

(1) The transformer to be placed in the basement instead of in a separate chamber outside the building.

(2) That the arrangements for giving access to the seating around the swimming bath should be altered so as to provide a space immediately surrounding the bath for the exclusive use of bathers.

(3) That provision be made for a tradesmen's and staff entrance to the kitchen.

(4) That the height of the chimney be raised. (5) That the depth of the swimming bath be altered to meet the requirements of the Swimming Association.

Mr. Wilkins pointed out that the greater portion of the lawn would be required for the building operations with access thereto over the approaches both from Imperial Square and the Promenade, and a hoarding would be erected around the ground required.

Mr. Overbury reported that he had considered the plans and outline specification and subject to the suggested modifications he recommended their approval.

RESOLVED, That subject to the said modifications, the plans and outline specification be approved, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the agreement as previously approved. RESOLVED, also, That possession be given of so much of the land as is required for the building operations and also access thereto from both the Promenade and Imperial Square provided that the frontage to the Promenade for a depth of at least 20 feet therefrom shall be kept free from building and other materials and that no obstruction shall be caused to the approach to the Town Hall and that the approach from the Promenade shall not be used for transport of materials after 10.30 a.m. and 10.30 p.m. and that on completion of the Building all materials and rubbish shall be removed from the land and any damage made good. RESOLVED, also, That the Council be recommended to have the existing railings removed from the portion of the site in front of the new building and replaced with suitable dwarf railings.

W. N. WEECH,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 31st March, 1933. Present—Aldermen Margrett and Pates ; Councillors P. T. Smith, H. W. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Waite and Messrs. H. W. Bennett and E. W. Dicks (Councillor Waite in the chair).

1—Electricity Works—Cooling Ponds—The Borough Surveyor submitted plans and estimate for the conversion of one of the Cooling Ponds at the Electricity Works into a Swimming Pool as outlined to him by the Committee when they met on the site The scheme provided for converting one of the Cooling Ponds into a Swimming Pool, measuring 83 feet by 62 feet (nearly twice the size of Alstone Baths), with a depth at one end of three feet, and 6 feet 3 inches at the other end. The scheme also provided for a Men's and Women's Dressing Rooms with separate conveniences, a cashier's office, two turnstiles, and an extra dressing space for men in the open. The whole of the Cooling Ponds would be enclosed by a seven foot close boarded fence. There would also be a large space which it

was proposed to level and surface for spectators and for sun-bathing, etc. The slope to be put into the bath to provide for the shallow end could be removed at any time with little expense, and the scheme was so arranged that in the event of the Council deciding at some future date, to enlarge the bath by taking in an adjoining cooling pond, this could easily be done.

The total estimated cost of the scheme was £925, including the sum of £82 for contingencies: RESOLVED. That the Council be recommended to approve of this scheme, and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to invite tenders for carrying out the work. RESOLVED, also, That this Committee be authorised to accept a suitable tender, not exceeding the sum of £1,000. RESOLVED, also, That the Finance Committee be recommended to raise a loan for the cost under Section 235 of the Public Health Act, 1875 (on deposit of Farm Deeds), to be repayable within a period not exceeding five years. RESOLVED, also, That the charge be 3d. person for bathers and swimmers, and spectators 2d., plus the usual charge of 1d. for towel and slippers.

After the Committee had arrived at this decision, the Mayor subsequently suggested that it might be desirable to consider adapting two of the Cooling Ponds now, rather than have to do this at a later date. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to consider this, and that a special meeting of the Committee be held on Monday next prior to the Council meeting to consider the Borough Surveyor's report.

[CONFIRMED BY TOWN COUNCIL AT THEIR MEETING 3RD APRIL, 1933;

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held at the Electricity Works on Friday, 7th April, 1933.

Present—The Mayor : Aldermen Margrett and Sawyer ; Councillors Thomas and Waite ; Messrs. H. W. Bennett and J. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair).

2—Electricity Cooling Ponds—The Committee inspected the Cooling Ponds, and further considered the scheme for converting one or more of the ponds into a Swimming Bath. The Borough Surveyor reported that on further investigation he found that the water main for supplying the pond was corroded, and it would be necessary to provide a new main. The Committee also considered that in view of the openness of the site which gave access to the asphalt plant, the destructor, the slab factory, Ark Gardens, the Electricity Works and the railway line, additional fencing would be required. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit an approximate estimate of the cost of constructing a new bath etc., on another site for comparison with the proposed scheme.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 21st April, 1933. Present—Councillors Lipson, P. T. Smith Thomas and Weech ; Messrs. H. IV. Bennett, E. J. Burrow and J., Howell (Councillor Thomas in the chair)'

3—Entertainments Sub-Committee—Read, Report of the Entertainments Sub-Committee at their Meeting held on 10th inst. Present—Aldermen Pates (in the chair), Sawyer and Councillor Thomas. They recommended (inter alia) as follows :—

(a) Winter Garden—That the Borough Surveyor be asked to have the paint of the Central portion of the Winter Garden touched up ready for the Orchestral Concerts. (b) Municipal Dance Band—That the charges for the hire of this band be £2 for the first hour, and £1 per hour afterwards when playing at the Town Hall, and that the Entertainments Manager be authorised to let the band at such rates as he considers reasonable in respect of outside bookings.

(c) Sunday Concerts—That a harpist be engaged for the Sunday Concert on the 23rd inst., at a fee of £1 11s. 6d.

(d) Concert Attendant—That the wages of H. Davis be increased to 30s per week until the commencement of the indoor tennis season when the matter be reconsidered.

(e) Winter Garden—Custodian----That Mr. Loveridge be re-engaged as Custodian as in previous years and that he be placed under the control of the Entertainments Manager.

(f) Musical Festival—That as Mr. Teague's Quartet would not be required during the Festival, the Sunday afternoon Cafe Concerts be continued up the 28th May instead to make up for the Festival week.

(g) Summer Dances—That the Saturday evening dances and Wednesday evening Flannel Dances be continued from week to week as decided by the Sub-Committee, and that the tender of Mr. Harry Jones for the Wednesday evening dances of £3 15s. 0d. per week and the tender of Mr. Billy Derek for the Saturday evening dances of £4 15s. 0d. per week be accepted.

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

4—Montpellier Gardens (a) The Borough Surveyor submitted application from the Custodian for extra assistance. The Committee also considered the question of the maintenance of the hard tennis courts. RESOLVED, That the matter be referred to a Sub-Committee consisting of Councillors P. T. Smith, Thomas and Weech.

(b) RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Central Brotherhood for permission to hold religious meetings in the Pavilion as last year be granted when the Pavilion is not otherwise engaged.

(c) Read, letter from Miss Gwen Lewis that in view of the Flower Show she did not propose to commence her season until the 17th July. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

5—Town Hall—RESOLVED, That the application of the Musical Festival for the free use of the Town Hall from the 13th to the 21st May (both dates inclusive) be granted subject to payment of cost of lighting as last year.

6—Advertising—Read, letter of 18th inst., from Mr. E. J. Burrow that he had arranged with " The Times" to carry out a window display of literature and pictures advertising Cheltenham at their Queen Victoria Street premises for a fortnight free of charge. RESOLVED, That the Committee thank Mr. Burrow for arranging this.

7—Winter Garden—Read, application from Mr. H. E. Steel on behalf of the Cheltenham and Gloucester Canine Society applying for the use of the Winter Garden building for a Dog Show to be held on the 19th July. RESOLVED, That the Dome and South Transept be granted at a charge of £7 7s. 0d., but that if the Show is held in the grounds as previously, a charge of £3 3s. 0d. be made subject to any damage to the Gardens being made good.

8—Electricity Works—Cooling Ponds—The Committee further considered the proposed scheme for the conversion of one of the cooling ponds into a swimming bath. RESOLVED, That as the scheme could not be carried out in time for this summer, consideration be adjourned for the present.

9 —Spa Baths—The Superintendent reported that the mixed bathing at the baths was well supported, but that it was desirable that additional dressing accommodation should be provided by placing screens in the balcony. RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Sub-Committee be authorised to provide these screens at a cost not exceeding £20.

10—Auditor's Report—The Committee considered the portions of the Auditor's Report relating to this Committee, but as the matters raised therein have already been attended to, no further action was necessary

H. W. THOMAS, Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 24th April, 1933, Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore; Councillors Leigh James, E. L. Ward and J. F. Ward (Alderman Moore in the chair).

1—Public Lighting—(a) The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he estimated the cost of changing the lamp at the Lansdown Road end of Hatherley Road from the half-night to the all-night circuit at £2 10s. 0d. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to have this done.

(b) The Committee further considered the special report on the street lighting together with a list of streets arranged in geographical areas. RESOLVED, That this be referred in sections to the Committee for consideration with a view to making suggestions on the classification of the roads set out in the list.

2—Supply to Rural Areas—(a) Shurdington Scheme—The Committee opened the tenders received for the construction of the overhead lines and for kiosks and transformers for this scheme. RESOLVED, That these be referred to the Borough Electrical Engineer for consideration, and that a special meeting of the Committee be held on the 27th inst. to consider his report thereon.

(b) Cable—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that during the last three weeks the price of copper and lead had increased, and he had been in negotiation with the Hackbridge Cable Company who had agreed to supply two miles of cable at £202 10s. 0d per 1,000 yards, and two miles at £204 10s. 0d. per 1,000 yards provided the order was placed at once. The cable would be required in connection with the Shurdington scheme, and also the extension from Evesham House to Noverton Lane, Prestbury. RESOLVED, That the Committee approve of a definite order being placed at once for the cable at the above prices.

(c) Read, letter of 21st inst. from the Air Ministry that no objection would be raised to the erection of the overhead high tension and low tension lines in connection with the Shurdington scheme as it was not considered that the existence of these lines would render the site at Staverton unsuitable for use as a permanent aerodrome.

3—Extension to Main—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to lay the new cable referred to in his report at an estimated cost of £360.

4—Supply to Hester's Way—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted estimate of the cost of supplying some houses in the neighbourhood of the Hester's Way Substation. RESOLVED, That consideration be postponed as the present demand is not sufficient to justify the expenditure.

5—Electricity Department—Accounts—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted six tenders received for the supply of stationery and equipment required in connection with the new billing machine. RESOLVED, That the tender of Kalamazoo Ltd., be accepted.

6—Auditor's Report—The Committee considered the portion of the Auditor's Report relating to this Committee, in which the Auditor suggested that the whole of the Council's income should be collected and paid in one office. RESOLVED, That the Finance Committee be informed that as far as this Committee is concerned, the Committee attach great importance to the payment of the electricity accounts in the Electricity Showroom.

7—Damage to Lamp Standard—Read, letter of 7th inst., from the South British Insurance Company Ltd. offering to pay two thirds of the claim for the cost of making good the damage to a lamp standard in Lypiatt Road caused on the 20th ult. by a motor vehicle belonging to Mr. Edwards. RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted.

8—Superannuation Scheme—Read, letter of 11th inst. from the National Union of General and Municipal Workers asking whether some of the workmen who had not contributed to the Scheme could become contributors, and also whether the workmen who had been paid compensation through loss of permanent employment and had been refunded their contributions under the scheme could be re-admitted to the scheme. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to recommend that the men who have been compensated and who are now on temporary work should be re-admitted to the scheme, but that they are prepared to consider individual applications from permanent employees who have hitherto not expressed their desire to join the Scheme.

9—Gas Tests—(a) Quarterly Report—Read, report of the Gas Examiner for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1933, which showed the average Calorific Value for the Quarter to be 473.3 B.Th.U.

(b) Periodical Report—Read, report of Gas Tests made on the 30th ult. and the 5th, 12th and 23rd inst. which showed the Calorific Value on these dates to be 472.2, 474.5, 472.0, and 470.9 B.Th.U respectively, and the Pressure 5.2, 5.2, 5.0 and 5.4 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held at Dowdeswell, on Tuesday, 11th April, 1933. Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Margrett, Moore and Pates ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Morris and Selim Smith (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days ended 10th April, 1933.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	488,000 gallons	362,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	1,426,000 "	1,056,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	82,000 "	66,000 "
Total	1,996,000	1,484,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth 10th April, 1933.	Contents	Depth 10th, April 1932.	Contents
Hewletts		28,119,000 gallons		16,053,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	30ft. 6ins.	92,183,000	27ft. 8ins.	78,089,000 "
Leckhampton	12ft. 0ins.	1,620,000	9ft. 0ins.	1,215,000 "
Total Storage		121,922,000		95,357,000

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

3—Dowdeswell Reservoir- --(a) Superintendent—The Committee interviewed Mr. S. J. Smith (a Water Mains Foreman), and Mr. D. Bloxham (Assistant to Mr. Boulton), two employees whom Mr. Pickering thought would be suitable to succeed Mr. Boulton as Superintendent of the Dowdeswell Reservoir on his retirement on the 1st June next. RESOLVED, That Mr. Bloxham be appointed on probation, at £2 10s 0d. per week together with house, coal and oil.

(b) Boat—RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to have the boat repaired and made watertight

4—Rossley Fields, Dowdeswell—RESOLVED, That the offer of Mr. W. Ball of Sunnybank, London Road, Charlton Kings, to take 27 acres of land, part of Rossley Fields, formerly let to Mr. Mills, at a rent of from the 25th March last, be accepted.

5—Tewkesbury Waterworks—(a) Read, letter of 31st ult. from the Ministry of Labour, that the question of the recognition for Grant purposes of the further loan of £12,135 sanctioned by the Ministry of Health in connection with this scheme was under consideration. With regard to the completion of the work, the Minister was anxious that the scheme should be completed at the earliest possible date, and the Minister was not prepared at present to extend the date for completion beyond the 27th October next, and requesting a report of progress to be made on the 1st August next

(b) Water Main—Mr. Castle reported that he had been unable to come to terms with Messrs. Hone & Sons in respect of the claim for compensation by Mr. Steel. and that Messrs. Hone & Sons had suggested that this should be referred to an arbitrator to be agreed upon. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to agree to Mr. G. S. Giller being appointed sole arbitrator.

6—Land, London Road—(a) The Town Clerk reported that Mr. Castle had been unable to arrange terms with any of the owners for the purchase of their land in London Road which he could recommend the Council to accept. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to apply for the appointment of an official arbitrator under the Acquisition of Land (Assessment of Compensation) Act, and that he be authorised to instruct Mr. G. S. Giller to inspect the property with a view to giving evidence in support of Mr. Castle before the arbitrator.

(b) The Borough Surveyor reported that it would be practicable to provide for the drainage of the two bungalows belonging to Mr. Shepperd and Mrs. Burton respectively so as to prevent risk of contamination of the water supply at an estimated cost £65. This would enable the two bungalows to be retained when purchased. He also recommended that the stream adjoining the properties in question should be piped in. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to have this work carried out when the property has been acquired

7—Hewlett's Reservoir—RESOLVED, That this Reservoir be opened to the public on Sundays during the Summer as last year

8—Mrs. Burrow's Tenancy—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. Castle recommended that an allowance should be made in the last half year's rent. RESOLVED, That the allowance recommended by Mr. Castle be made

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9—Salts Farm—Read, letter of 8th inst. from Messrs, Tayler Fletcher and Villar, enclosing letter from Mr. Dunn agreeing to the reduced rent of £88 per annum for this farm as from last Christmas.

10—British Waterworks Association—Read, circular from this Association inviting the attendance of delegates to the Annual Conference to be held at Blackpool from the 13th to 17th June. RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Borough Engineer be appointed to attend.

11 Auditor's Report--The District Auditor's report for the year ended the 31st March, 1932, was laid before the Committee.

12—Appeals---The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered, and the rates settled and adjusted.

13—Shooting—Major H. Mason attended in regard to his agreement for the sporting rights, and gave particulars of his " bag" for last season. RESOLVED, That the rent for last season and for the next two seasons be reduced to £45 per annum.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 20th April, 1933. Present--Aldermen Margrett, Moore and Sawyer ; Councillors Pruen, Thomas, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Diseases Amongst Animals—Superintendent Wayman reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

(b) The Town Clerk submitted copy of the Sheep (Movement into Scotland and Northumberland) Order of 1933, which would be posted throughout the Borough as required by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

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

Date.	Place.	Cause.	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
27th March	Bentham House, Shurdington	Defective fireplace	About £50	£5 11s. 0d.
5th April	Oddfellows' Hall, York Passage	Fire from large stove	About £30	£3 9s. 6d.

3—Petrol Licences—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham District Traction Company for a licence to store an additional 2,000 gallons at their St Mark's Depot, be granted subject to the usual conditions.

4--Hackney Carriage Licences--RESOLVED, That the applications of W. Aylesbury, W. Edwards and J. Cairns for the transfers of licences Nos. 78, 35 and 55 to Taxi Cabs Nos. G 3027, YL 5240, and DF 3306 respectively be granted.

5—National Aviation Day—Read, letter of 29th ult. from Sir Alan Cobham asking the Council for their support on the visit of his Air Squadron in connection with the National Aviation Day Crusade. RESOLVED, That he be informed that the Council will be pleased to give this their support.

6—Royal Crescent Garden—Read, letter of 6th inst. from Messrs. Rickerby, Thompson and Yeaman that the owners of the Garden had now appointed a Sub-Committee to meet representatives of the Council, but that before arranging a meeting, the Sub-Committee wished to know the amount the

Council were prepared to offer for the purchase of the Garden. RESOLVED, That Mr. G. S. Giller be instructed to make a valuation.

7—**Aerodrome**—Read, report of the **Sub-Committee** at their meeting held with representatives of the Gloucester Corporation on the 6th inst., They recommended the Council to negotiate jointly with the Gloucester Corporation for the purchase of the site at Staverton Bridge containing about 215 acres, with a view to leasing the same to a Company to be laid out and used for the purposes of an airport, provided that the maximum cost for interest and sinking fund charges to each Corporation does not exceed the sum of £250 per annum. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

8—One Way Traffic Order—Read, letter of 21st inst. from the Ministry of Transport asking for a report containing the observations of the Council and of the Police Authorities regarding the working of the one-way traffic system The Town Clerk submitted report from Superintendent Wayman, that as far as the police were concerned, the system was working satisfactory and appeared to suit the requirements of the town. RESOLVED, That the Ministry be informed that in the opinion of the Council the system is working very satisfactorily, and that application be made to the Ministry for an Order continuing the operation of the present Order which expires on the 31st July next.

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9—Cheltenham District Traction Company—Read, letter of 4th inst. from the Traffic Commissioners in regard to letters of complaint received by them of the inconvenience caused by the revision of the local omnibus services, and asking for the Council's opinion as to whether the altered services had caused any serious and general discontent. Councillor J. F. Ward stated that he had received many complaints of the reduction of the service from Maud's Elm to the centre of the town to a half-hourly service up to 12 noon and from 6 p.m. RESOLVED, That a representation be made to the Commissioners and the Company that the Council consider that a more frequent service between Maud's Elm and the centre of the town should be provided.

10—Minutes—Read, letter from the London School of Economics and Political Science that an attempt was being made by the School to compile an index of all important matters contained in the minutes of local authorities, and asking if copies of the minutes could be supplied each month. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

11—St. Paul's Street South—Read, memorial from residents in the vicinity of St. Paul's Street South complaining of the nuisance caused by the fair held on the sites of the demolished houses in St. Paul's Street South. RESOLVED, That the memorialists be informed that they would be entitled to obtain an injunction if a nuisance is being caused. RESOLVED, also, That the question of purchasing the site be considered at the next meeting of the Committee.

12—Agricultural Marketing Act, 1931—Read, letter of 12th inst. from the Mayor of Worcester, that under this Act it was feared that the Board administering the hops marketing scheme would order the removal of all hops to London, which would result in the Worcester Corporation losing the privilege of being the only city to possess a hop market from which the city received an appreciable revenue, and asking the Council to support their Council in their efforts to retain their rights and

privileges. RESOLVED, That Sir Walter Preston, M.P., be asked to do what he can to support Worcester's effort to protect its rights and privileges.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Chairman.

ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 10th. April, 1933, Present—Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, P. T. Smith, Waite and J. F. Ward ; and Messrs. Clarkson and Yeend (Councillor J. F. Ward in the chair).

1—Allotment No. 147 Crabtree Piece—The Borough Surveyor reported that the tenant had erected a motor cycle garage on this allotment. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the tenant pointing out that this should not have been erected without first obtaining the consent of the Council, and that he will not be entitled to any compensation for this on quitting the allotment.

2—Allotments for Unemployed—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be authorised to offer any vacant allotments to the Unemployed Allotments Association, at the same rent as paid for the other allotments let to them.

3—Alstone Lawn Estate Allotments—Theft of Bulbs, etc.—The Town Clerk reported that proceedings had been taken against 8 persons for theft of bulbs at these allotments, and that they had all been convicted and fined 5s each.

4—Allotment No. 35 (b) Orrisdale Terrace—Read, letter from Mr. E. V. Newman asking for the tenancy of this allotment which he had been cultivating for the past three years for the late tenant who was now dead, and had planted the ground for the present season. RESOLVED, That the application be granted.

5—Allotment No. 17 (b) Whaddon Road (1920)—The Town Clerk submitted application from the tenant of this allotment for three months' rebate in the rent in view of the untidy condition of the ground. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that the Visitors be asked to inspect the allotment.

6—Allotment Inspection—The Borough Surveyor submitted his report on the recent inspection of the allotments. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the tenants of the allotments which were found to be in an untidy state. RESOLVED, also, That in future, the Gardens Superintendent be asked to undertake the periodical inspection of the allotments.

J. F. WARD, Chairman.

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PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 10th April, 1933. Present—Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, P. T. Smith, Waite, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Cricket Pitches—Read, letter from the Secretary of the Cavendish House Cricket Club applying for a pitch for net practice during the coming season. RESOLVED, That the application be not granted.

2--Sandford Park—The Borough Surveyor reported persistent theft of flowers from the beds at Sandford Park, which spoiled the appearance of the beds. RESOLVED, That proceedings be taken against the persons found stealing, and that the Gardens Superintendent be instructed to obtain evidence for prosecution.

3—Pittville Crescent—Read, letter from Col. Collett calling attention to the bad state of the pavement in Pittville Crescent. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to inspect the pavement and report as to repairs.

4—Roller----The Borough Surveyor reported that there was an old horse roller at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground which was not now required, and that the Education Committee had asked for this RESOLVED, That the roller be disposed of to the Education Committee at a price to be arranged.

W. SAWYER, Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 6th April, 1933. Present-The Mayor ; Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillor Dr. Curling Hayward ; and Mr. F. B. de Sausmarez (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Gibraltar House—The Town Clerk submitted a request from Mr_ F. Hamlet to be released from the tenancy of these premises. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to, and that the sum of £15 be accepted in lieu of a full quarter's rent. RESOLVED, also, That the Curator be authorised to advertise the premises to let.

9—Curator's Monthly Report—Visits-4,646 (against 3,430). Included in these figures was a party of 18 students from Cheltenham Technical College, to whom the Curator gave a talk on the collections. The total attendance for the year was 43,532 (against 35,950 last year). Further details will be included in the Printed Annual Report.

Receipts--Catalogues, Postcards, "Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund," etc. £7 3s. 1d. (including a donation of £2 2s. 0d. from the Cotswold Art Club).

Exhibitions—An Exhibition of Portraiture and landscapes in Fabricolour opened on the 6th inst., together with photographs by members of the Cheltenham Amateur Photographic Society.

3—Donations—Captain T. H. Barnard, German Sniper's Sight, and German Machine Gun Sight ; Mr. J. S. Letheren, Native Kafir Beadwork from Natal ; The Hon. Lady Henniker Heaton, Coat and Waistcoat, English c.1775, Coat and Trousers, English c. 1775.

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

4—Offer of West African Ethnographical Specimens—The Curator reported the offer of this collection brought together by Lt.-Col. Beasley, D.S.O. RESOLVED, That such specimens as are likely to be of future use be accepted with thanks.

5—Loans—Miss E. Adlard, Autograph Letter of Florence Nightingale, dated March 16th, 1887 ; Mrs. Desmond Hartley, Waistcoat of James Massey, c1790, Waistcoat of Col. George Dunscombe (1712-1752) ; Mrs. Littledale, Marble Statuette, " Reverie," by G. Saget.

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

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM, Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 21st April, 1933. Present—Councillors The Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Thomas and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of the Superintendent for the period from 25th March, to 21st April, 1933. Interments 64 ; Grave Spaces sold 14 (First Position 1, Fourth Position 13) ; Memorials erected 16; New Inscriptions 8.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8775 to 8788 (both inclusive),

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following Designs be approved :--Cross, Bases and Kerbing to graves of Alice Abbott, and John Philips Ponting ; Headpiece and Kerbing to graves of Eldred H. Rudge, Henry Stoneman, Annie Stoneman, and Stephen Blackpool, and Mary Louisa Pemberton ; Kerbing and Posts to grave of Nellie Burbidge.

4—Grave Space 2211, Section 0—The Superintendent reported that when the Cemetery was reclassified in 1916, this Space was classified in Position 3, but apparently before the plans were furnished to the late Superintendent the grave had been used as a Common Grave. RESOLVED, That this be classified as a Common Grave.

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 6th April, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Curling Hayward, Thomas and Yarnold; Rev. Canon. Johnstone and Rev: Barbara Thomas; and Messrs. H. J. Norris, F. Vernall and C. E. Walsh (Councillor Thomas in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Receipts -29 9s. 6d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 12,001 (last year 12,767); Lending Department 35,618 (last year 38,541) ; Junior Department 6,042 (last year 7,231). Total for the two months 53,661 (last year 58,539). Total issue for the year, April, 1932—March, 1933, 312,522 volumes. Further details will be given in the printed Annual Report which will be issued in due course.

Binding and Replacements-406 volumes had been returned from the Binder, and 259 volumes had been replaced.

Lectures—The following lectures had been given in the Art Gallery :—

February 13th Mr. John C. Moore, "The Making of a Novel." (Attendance 119).

February 23rd Mr. Herbert Flower, " Infra-Red Photography." (Attendance 104, arranged by the Cheltenham Science Society).

February 27th Mr. W. A. Elder, " Life in the Teak Forests of Northern Siam." (Attendance 165).

March 6th ... Mr. Ed. J. Burrow, F.R.G.S., "The World is very Beautiful," (Attendance 191).

March 13th ... Rev. Philip Usher, M.A., " Palestine and its Sacred Places." (Attendance 263, arranged by the Cheltenham Sunday School Association, and the Cheltenham and District Sunday School Union).

March 27th .. Lieut.-Col. J. D. Blyth, "People I have met—Folk Studies." (Attendance 163).

March 29th ... Mr. G. W. Hedley, " Radio Activity." (Attendance 38, arranged by the Cheltenham Science Society).

Defects in Roof—The Librarian reported that as a matter of urgency he had authorised Messrs. Griffiths Bros. to make sundry small repairs in the lead-flashing and guttering on the roof.

Publications of the Oxfordshire and Worcestershire Historical Societies—The Librarian reported as to the use made of these publications. RESOLVED, That the subscriptions be continued.

Hour of Lectures—RESOLVED, That, on Notes taken at recent lectures, the time of these fixtures next winter be retained at 7.30 p.m.

Voluntary Service—The Librarian reported that Miss Barbara Beck, with a view to gaining experience, was giving assistance in the preparation of a typewritten catalogue of the Junior Library.

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2—Donations--Anonymous (2 vols.) ; Mr. S. J. Arkwright (1 vol.) ; The Arthurs Press (1 vol.) ; Mr. Chas. P. Bendall (11 vols.) ; British Federation of Musical Competition Festivals (1 vol.) ; Miss E. Maude Bubb (6 vols.) ; Messrs. Montague Burton (1 vol.) ; Mrs. E. Chandler (1 vol.) ; Consul-General for Japan (1 vol.) ; Messrs Faber & Faber (1 vol.) ; Capt. C. Firebrace (1 vol.) ; Miss A. A. Hopton (1 vol.) ; Miss King (6 vols.) ; Lt.-Col T. Longridge (2 vols.) ; Miss Prichard (41 vols.) ; Mr. H. Beresford

Stevens (1 vol.) ; Messrs. Stubb's Directories (1 vol.); Mr. C. H. Tolley (1 vol.) ; Mrs. Tracy (1 vol.) ; Mr. S. S. Trench (2 vols.) ; Trinity College of Music (1 vol.) ; Messrs. Truman & Knightley Ltd. (1 vol.) ; Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham (1 vol.) ; Mr. Stanley Wood (44 vols.).

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

3—Books---RESOLVED, (a) That 145 volumes, published at £64 11s. 6d., be purchased for £31 9s. 5d.

(b) That 2 volumes, published at £16 16s. 0d. be purchased for £9 3s. 9d. out of the Leslie Young Bequest Fund.

(c) That the sum of £50 be spent on Binding.

(d) That the sum of £20 be spent on Replacements.

4—Periodicals—RESOLVED, That the purchase of the "Wide World Magazine," and "Work and Opportunity," which had been suggested by readers, be not entertained.

5—Inter-availability of Library Tickets—RESOLVED, That registered readers at Sheffield Public Libraries be allowed facilities at this Library in exchange for facilities being extended to Cheltenham readers in Sheffield.

6—Ladies' Table in Reference Library-RESOLVED, That a reader's suggestion to the effect that a table be reserved for ladies in the Reference Library be not adopted.

7—Easter Holidays—RESOLVED, That all departments of the Library be kept open until 9 p.m. on Thursday, the 13th inst., and closed from Good Friday to Easter Monday inclusive, with the exception that the Newsroom be opened on Easter Saturday from 9 30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

8—Staff—RESOLVED, That the wages of the following assistants be increased as from April 3rd :— Miss D. E. Parry, from 30s to 32s 6d per week, Miss M. Nealon, from 17s 6d to 20s per week. Mr. W. M. Martin, from 27s 6d to 30s per week.

(These three assistants recently passed Sectional Examinations of the Library Association).

9--Vulcan Boiler Insurance —The Librarian reported that the report of the Vulcan Boiler Insurance Co. was satisfactory.

10—Date of Next Meeting—RESOLVED, That the next meeting of this Committee take place on June 8th.

H. W. THOMAS, Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 24th April, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Unpaid Rates—(a) 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 applied for, but in some cases to be suspended whilst weekly payments as now settled by the Committee are regularly paid.

(b) A Statement of Unpaid Rates was submitted and signed.

2—Proposals—The Committee considered the proposals made 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 April, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Councillors Leigh James and E. L. Ward (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 25th inst., on the collection of the Second Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £206,425. Allowances £1,669 ; Voids £6,419 ; Excusals £444 ; Other Irrecoverables £1,020.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 25th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 31st March, 1933. Amount collected £28,874. Abatements £70 ; Voids £245 ; Defaulters £25 ; Arrears carried forward £45.

3—Housing Bonds—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting £210 had been received for 3 ½ per cent Housing Bonds and that certificates had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

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

Date, 1933. Purpose. Amount. Period of Repayment.

19th April Water Main Extensions £3,000 30 years.

5—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on 25th inst. Present—The Deputy Mayor (in the chair) ; Councillors Leigh James and E. L. Ward. The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

6—Loans—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £2,500 on loan. RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

(b) Renewals—RESOLVED, That the terms proposed for the renewal of Debentures etc., amounting to £13,413 be approved and the Debentures endorsed accordingly.

7—Superannuation—(a) Read, letter of 6th inst., from the Ministry of Health approving of the designation as an established post for the purposes of the Act the post of Third Assistant in the Water Office.

(b) The Borough Treasurer reported that John Johnson, Highways labourer, had been certified as permanently unable to follow his employment and that he was due for retirement on the 10th December. RESOLVED, That he be paid an allowance of 10s 10d. per week calculated on his wages for the last five years on a non-contributory basis of 30 years service.

(c) The Borough Treasurer reported that there was a surplus on this Fund for the year ended the 31st March last of £4,835 and it was proposed to invest £4,500 in Housing loans. The amount invested to date was £36,479 at 4 per cent. interest, but it was now desirable to reconsider the rate of interest. RESOLVED, That the interest be reduced to 3 ½ per cent.

8—Borough Treasurer's Department—The Borough Treasurer submitted applications from J. Ayres and R. J. Browning, clerks in his department for increase in salary. RESOLVED, That their salaries be increased by 5s - per week in each case.

9—Auditor's Report—The Committee considered the suggestion made by the District Auditor that the collection of the whole of the Council's income should be consolidated in one office. The Town Clerk reported that the matter had been considered by the Electricity and Lighting Committee, who considered it important that the collection of the Electricity accounts should be continued in the Showroom of the Department as at present. RESOLVED, That the Committee do not consider it is at present desirable to make any alteration in the arrangements for the collection of the accounts, but that this should be considered on the retirement of the present Rate Collectors.

10—Corporation 3 per cent. Stock—The Borough Treasurer reported that as authorised at the last meeting of the Committee he had purchased £7,500 3 per cent. Corporation Stock. RESOLVED, That the sum of £7,500 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.

P. P. TAYLOR, Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 2nd June, 1933.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of June, 1933, 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 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 and to report order made by Privy Council for enlargement of Council and alteration of wards. ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE and to consider report of Sub-Committee and proposals for issue of 3 per cent. stock for £300,000.

4. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.
5. EDUCATION COMMITTEE—TO appoint a woman having experience in Education a member of Committee in place of Miss Conder (resigned).

Yours faithfully,

To each Member of the Council.

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, 1st May, 1933, at 3 p.m. Present :

The Mayor (Councillor Capt. John Henry Trye, C.B.E., R.N., J.P.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P.).

Aldermen Margrett, C.B.E., J.P., C.A., Moore, Pates, Sawyer and Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P. Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, O.B.E., Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, M.A., Dr. Hayward, M. B.E., M.B., B.S., Leigh James, Lipson, M.A., Miller, Morris, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Selim Smith, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Weech, M.A., and Yarnold.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 3rd April, 1933, 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 April 10

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Housing Meetings held April 12 and 28

Resolved, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £2,417 for the construction of roads and sewers on the Alstone Lawn Estate, of which amount the sum of £1,653 is required in connection with construction of roads and sewers on the portion of the Estate for the proposed 49 houses.

Street and Highway Meeting held April 19

Maternity and Child Welfare Meeting held April 19

Town Planning Meeting held April 20

Subject to an Amendment moved by Councillor P. T. Smith and seconded by Councillor Weech : " That Plan No. 3473 for 35 houses in Hatherley Road, be referred back."

Winter Garden Development Meeting held April 25

Town Improvement and Spa Meetings held April and 21

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held April 24

Resolved, also, That on the recommendation of the Borough Electrical Engineer, the following tenders in connection with the Shurdington Scheme (being the lowest in each case) be accepted subject to sanction to loan being obtained, and to contracts to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into :---

For construction of overhead lines Better Lines Co. £1,826.

For Kiosks W. Lucy & Co. Ltd. £291.

For Transformers British Thomson Houston Co. Ltd. ... £419 5s. 0d.

Water Meeting held April 11

Subject to an Amendment moved by Councillor Morris and seconded by Councillor Dr. Hayward : " That Minute No. 6 (b) in regard to the drainage of the two bungalows on land in London Road, be referred back."

Resolved, also, That the Council desire to express their appreciation of the long and faithful service rendered by Mr. Boulton as Custodian of the Dowdeswell Reservoir, and to wish him and his wife every happiness in their retirement.

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held April 20

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Lipson and seconded by the Deputy Mayor : " That Minute No. 7 in regard to proposed Joint Municipal Aerodrome, be not approved " was lost).

Allotments Meeting held April 10

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held April 10

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held April 6

Resolved, also, That Gibraltar House be let to Mr. R. C. Alcock for a term of three years at a rent of £60 per annum plus rates, subject to an agreement to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

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Burial Board Meeting held April 21

Public Library Meeting held April 6

Rating Meeting held April 24

Finance Meeting held April 25

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, and such additional sums as may become payable during the month in respect of current Contracts upon the Certificate of the Architect or Officer under whom the work is carried out.

3—Omnibus Services—The Town Clerk submitted letter from the Cheltenham District Traction Company setting out certain modifications which they proposed to make in their services. Resolved, That this be referred to the General Purposes and Watch Committee for consideration.

4—Fire Brigade—Read, letter of the 28th ult. from the Clerk to the Kemerton Parish Council asking to be released from any further liability under the agreement entered into with the Council for the provision of the services of the Fire Brigade for his Parish, as Kemerton had now been transferred to the Rural District of Evesham, where a Fire Brigade service was provided. Resolved, That the Council agree to the agreement being terminated and release Kemerton Parish Council from any further payment thereunder.

5—Delancey Hospital Trust—Resolved, That Lt.-Col. J. H. Jones be appointed a Representative Trustee of the Delancey Hospital for a further term of three years expiring on 1st May, 1936.

6—Three Counties Show—The Town Clerk submitted letter of the 27th ult. from the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce enclosing copy of resolution passed by the Chamber that an effort should be made to induce the Three Counties Agricultural Society to hold their Annual Show in Cheltenham, and that the Council should send an invitation to the Society at its forthcoming Annual Meeting at Worcester. Resolved, That this be referred to the General Purposes and Watch Committee for consideration.

J. H. TRYE, 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 Wednesday, 7th June, 1933

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 8th May, 1933. Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Moore and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Morris, Pruen and E. L. Ward (Councillor Pruen in the chair).

1—Insanitary Property at (a) 15 and 65 Queen Street—The Committee having considered the representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses are satisfied that the said houses are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation in the respect mentioned in the said official representation, and that they are capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Sub-section 1 of Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1930, notices be given to the persons having control of the houses requiring them to execute the works to be specified in the notices which will in the opinion of the Committee render the houses fit for human habitation.

(b) 55 Worcester Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee he had obtained tenders for carrying out the necessary repairs and sanitary work to this house, which he now submitted. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. H. J. Hyatt of £9 6s. 0d. (being the lowest) be accepted.

2—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles —The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. Weston Cottages, Tewkesbury Road ; and 15 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.

3—Nuisances from Drains etc. at (a) 2 Old Bath Road ; and 3 Princes Terrace, Tivoli—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 premises 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) 18 and 20 Great Western 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 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 specified work within 28 days.

4—Houses Unfit for Human Habitation—(a) Repton, Hewlett Street ; and 56 Grosvenor Street—The Committee further considered the question of making Closing Orders in respect of the basement rooms of these premises. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

(b) 27, 28 and 29 New Street: 25, 25a, 27 and 29 Jersey Street—The Committee considered official representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses and also report of Rota Sub-Committee thereon. RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the above mentioned dwelling houses are unfit for human habitation and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, notices be given under Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, to the Owners, to the persons having control of the houses, and Mortgagees, if any, that the condition of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or the future user of the houses will be considered at a meeting of this Committee to be held on 12th June next.

(c) 2a, 3a, 4 and 7a Rutland Street—RESOLVED, That consideration of the question of making Demolition Orders in respect of these premises be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

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(d) Higg's Cottages, Alstone Lane ; 1 Angel Row ; and 26 Fairview Road—The Rota Sub-Committee reported their inspection of these houses. RESOLVED, That consideration of the question of making Demolition Orders be adjourned for the present.

(e) 310 High Street—Read, letter from Mr. J. Taylor that he had given the occupiers of the basement notice to quit, but they had not yet been able to obtain accommodation. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings for enforcing compliance with the Order.

(f) 2 Upper Bath Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the owner had now carried out the necessary work to render these premises fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That the undertaking given by the Owner on 15th December last under Section 19 of the Housing Act 1930, and accepted by the Council on 1st January last, be cancelled.

(g) 27 Russell Street—The Committee further considered the question of making a Demolition Order in respect of these premises. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that the Rota Sub-Committee be asked to inspect the premises and report as to the acceptance of an undertaking by the Owner to carry out the necessary work to render the premises fit for human habitation.

5—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 1 qr. 12 lbs. Beef ; 21 lbs. Mutton ; 1 qr. 22 lbs Pork ; 1 qr. 9 lbs Poultry ; and 2 cwts Herrings.

6—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. E. C. Maynard of Poplars Farm, Shurdington to be registered as a Retail Purveyor of Milk within the Borough be granted subject to compliance with the usual conditions

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

8—Smoke Nuisance--(a) Read, letters from Mr. F. Vernal' complaining of the nuisance caused by the emission of dust from the chimney of the Carpet Sweeping plant belonging to Cavendish House in Regent Street. RESOLVED, That the Sanitary Inspector be asked to keep the premises under observation, and report to the Committee.

(b) Dammann Asphalt Works—RESOLVED, That consideration of the nuisance caused by the emission of dust from the chimney of these premises be adjourned until the next meeting of the Committee, and that meanwhile the Rota Sub-Committee be asked to inspect the works.

9—Flooding—Sandford Mill Road—Read, letter of 11th ult, from the Clerk to the County Council in regard to the flooding of the Lilley Brook, and that instructions had been given to the Land Drainage Officer to enquire into the matter as soon as possible.

10—Conference—Read, circular from the Royal Institute of Public Health inviting the attendance of delegates to the Annual Congress to be held at Eastbourne from 30th May to 4th June. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

11—Public Convenience—St. George's Place—The Borough Surveyor reported that on 31st ult. further damage was done to the convenience in St. George's Place, a W.C. seat being broken to pieces, and he had reported the matter to the Police.

12—Drainage of New Houses, etc.—The Committee considered suggestion that the supervision of the drainage of new houses, etc. should be transferred to the Health Department instead of the Borough Surveyor's Department. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

ARTHUR S. F. PRUEN,

Chairman.

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HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 28th April, 1933. Present—Alderman Pates ; Councillors Hayward, Morris, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Pates in the chair).

1—Alstone Lawn Estate—Thirteen tenders were received for the erection of 49 houses on this Estate. RESOLVED, That subject to contract and bond to be prepared by the Town Clerk being

entered into, and to sanction to loan being obtained, the tender of Messrs. Copp Bros. Ltd. of £13,075 (being the lowest) be accepted. RESOLVED, also, That a prime cost sum of £12 per house, making a total of £588, be added to the contract for the provision of a brick-built shed for each house. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £14,318 for the cost of the houses, including sheds, Clerk of Works, Architects' fees and contingencies. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for approval of the houses for the purpose of subsidy under the Housing Act, 1930. RESOLVED, also, That the Council hereby undertake that the conditions set out in Section 27 of the Housing Act, 1930, will be complied with in regard to the houses. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £1,730 for the cost of the construction of the road and sewers. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to proceed at once with the construction of the contractors' road.

2—Sale of Houses-5 and 12 Spenser Avenue—The Town Clerk submitted offer from Mr. F. Eckersall to purchase these houses at £462 10s. 0d. each. RESOLVED, That subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health being obtained the offer be accepted and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyances. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sales.

[CONFIRMED BY TOWN COUNCIL ON 1ST MAY, 1933]

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 11th May, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Pates ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Lipson, Morris, P. T. Smith and Yarnold (Alderman Pates in the chair)

3—**Selection of Tenants and Repairs Sub-Committee**—Read, report of the Sub-Committee at their meeting held on 5th May.

They recommended as follows :—

(a) Single Persons occupying Houses—That no action be taken at present in regard to the five persons occupying houses alone.

(b) 2a, 3a, 4 and 7 Rutland Street—That consideration of purchasing these cottages for reconditioning be adjourned, and that the Sanitary Inspector be asked to prepare specification, and obtain estimates for carrying out the necessary work.

(c) 67 Whaddon Avenue—That the application of the tenant to breed Dalmatian dogs on these premises be not granted.

(d) 19 Rutland Street—That the Committee approve of the additional expenditure of £10 12s. 6d. for new drainage found necessary when providing a new lavatory at these premises.

(e) Carlton Place--That the Public Health Committee be recommended to consider the desirability of requiring the demolition of all the houses in Carlton Place.

(g) Arrears of Rent—The Sub-Committee had interviewed and dealt with 7 tenants in arrear with their rent, and given instructions for the issue of summonses to be deferred whilst weekly instalments as settled by the Sub-Committee were regularly paid.

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

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4--**View Sub-Committee**—Read, report of the View Sub-Committee, at their meeting held on the 2nd May, 1933.

They recommended as follows :—

(a) Outbuildings—(i) That the outbuildings at the following be approved : 12 Folly Lane ; 27 Hope Street (Pigeon Sheds) ; 20 Tennyson Road 4 and 10 Shelley Avenue ; 117 Tennyson Road, subject to the shed being placed at the bottom of the garden, also that the tenant be required to wire or concrete the base of the fowlhouse to prevent rats ; 31 and 81 Byron Road : and that the outbuildings at the following be not approved 79 Whaddon Avenue; 5 Hudson Street ; 20 and 36 Crabtree Place.

(ii) That the Committee should consider the desirability of requiring all outbuildings to be erected at the bottom of the gardens, and not near the backs of the houses.

(b) 73-74 Hope Street—That the Housing Manager be authorised to have a post and rail fence provided for the gardens at the rear of these houses.

(c) 48 and 51 Elm Street—The Sub-Committee having inspected the sheds erected by the tenants of these houses for use in connection with their business as marine store dealers, that the tenant of No. 48 Elm Street be required to remove the shed to the bottom of the garden, and also to provide a concrete floor, but that that no action be taken in regard to the shed at No. 51.

(d) 306--308 Swindon Road—That the Housing Manager be authorised to have a gate provided at the entrance to the passage between these houses.

(e) St. Mark's Housing Estate—That the requests of the tenants of several houses on this estate for interior decorations be not acceded to, as the Sub-Committee do not consider this is necessary at the present time, RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted, except that Minute (c) be not approved, and that no tenant be allowed to carry on the business of a marine store dealer at their houses, and if not discontinued the Town Clerk be instructed to give them notice to quit.

5—Sub-letting—Lodgers—RESOLVED, That the Housing Manager be instructed to submit a report-giving particulars of any sub-letting by tenants and also as to lodgers etc.

6—Sheds—The Committee further considered the provision of a standard shed. RESOLVED, That the Housing Manager be instructed to give notice to tenants who have erected unsatisfactory sheds and in unsuitable positions, that the Committee will require the sheds to be replaced within two years by a shed of the standard design to be approved by the Committee, and that the Borough Surveyor be asked to prepare design for a shed 8 feet by 5 feet.

7—Housing Department—The Housing Manager reported that her new pupil trainee would commence his duties on Monday, the 15th inst. RESOLVED, That a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Chairman and Councillor P. T. Smith be appointed to consider the arrangement of the work of the Housing Department.

8--Benhall Gardens—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of Mr. C. C. Castle, That Mr. S. J. Wasley be paid the sum of £12 compensation for the removal of his pig sties, and 10s for each tree on the land required for the site of the new houses.

9—Alstone Lawn Estate—(a) The Town Clerk reported that Messrs. Ivens and Thompson acting for Mr. Andrews had approved the conditions of sale for the purchase of the corner site at the price of £205. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sale, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the conveyance.

(b) Read, letter from Mr. H. Oldacre enquiring on what terms the Corporation would sell him the piece of land with 40 feet frontage at the South Western corner of the estate for the erection of a house, and the Town Clerk submitted letter from the District Valuer agreeing to recommend a sale at £160, RESOLVED, That the land be offered to Mr. Oldacre at this price, subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health being obtained.

(c) Shop Sites—The Committee considered the revised plan approved by the Town Planning Committee for the construction of the road at the back of the site reserved for shops. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

10—Sale of Houses-23 Tennyson Road and 18 Kipling Road—The Town Clerk submitted offers from Miss C. Fuller, and Mr. T. Jones to purchase these houses at the price of £435 and £500 respectively. RESOLVED, That the offers be accepted, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the conveyances. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sales.

11—Garden Prize Scheme—RESOLVED, That the sum of £12 be offered in prizes for gardens on the following estates : St. Mark's, St. Paul's, St. Peter's, Whaddon and Pilley, and that £1 be the first prize on each estate, and that the balance of £7 be awarded at the discretion of the Sub-Committee.

J. P. PATES, Chairman.

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STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 22nd May, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Alderman Pates; Councillors Scott Langley, Lipson, Thomas and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Gulley Tops—The Borough Surveyor reported that on the night of the 28th/29th April ten gulley tops were removed from St. George's Road district, six eventually being found in other places, and four being left by the side of the gulleys. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings against the offenders.

2-5 Ambrose Street—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from Mrs. James for renovations at this house. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to have the work carried out at an estimated cost of £12 10s. 0d.

3—Annual Tenders etc,—Shovels--The Borough Surveyor reported that the type of shovel for which Messrs. Hardypick Co.'s tender had been accepted was found to be unsuitable, but that the contractors were prepared to supply the required type at 31s. 0d. per dozen. RESOLVED, That this be accepted.

4—Badgeworth Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from the Automobile association for a " Subsidiary Road " sign to be fixed in Badgeworth Road near its junction with Gloucester Road. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

5—Projecting Signs--(a) RESOLVED, That the applications of Messrs. S. C. Morris & Son Ltd., and Messrs. George's Ltd. for permission to fix projecting signs outside 246 and 366/67 High Street be granted subject to the usual conditions.

(b) Read, letter from Messrs. F. H. Bastin & Son, enclosing an amended design of the sign proposed to be erected at 27 Winchcomb Street. RESOLVED, That the design be not approved.

(c) The Town Clerk submitted application from the Wicliffe Motor Co. for permission to erect an electric clock outside their premises in Bath Road. RESOLVED, That the application be granted subject to the usual conditions, and to the clock being maintained in good order and at the correct time.

6—Streamer across Colonnade—The Town Clerk submitted application from the Cheltenham Motor Club for permission to place a streamer across the Colonnade on every Wednesday evening advertising their motor cycle football matches RESOLVED, That the application be not granted, and that the Club be informed that the Committee are prepared to consider an application in respect of any special match,

7—Cranham Road—The Town Clerk reported that the statutory notice to take over this road had been given, and no objections had been received. RESOLVED, That Cranham Road be taken over repairable by the inhabitants at large, subject as regards the footpath on the east side, to the liability of the abutting owners to pave the portion of the footpath, under the provisions of Section 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852.

8—Fairview Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that the footpath paving outside the Spa Garage, Fairview Road, had been damaged to the extent of two pounds by the vehicles belonging to Mr. M. Middleton being driven over the footpath, RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for making good the damage.

9—Slabs—The Committee considered the prices of slabs. RESOLVED, That the old broken slabs be reduced to 1s 6d. per square yard or 15s per ton, and the unbroken at 2s per square yard and £1 a ton. RESOLVED, also, That the Chairman and Borough Surveyor be authorised to vary the price of the new slabs as may be considered desirable from time to time.

10—Casual Labour—The Borough Surveyor reported that for some years the Committee had followed the rate of wages settled by the Civil Engineering Construction Conciliation Board for casual labour. The rate now paid was 1s per hour whereas the rate under the Conciliation Board had been 11 ½ d. for some time past. RESOLVED, That no reduction be made.

11—America Passage—Read, letter of the 16th inst. from Mr. G. Bradfield complaining that although the automatic machines had been removed the passage was still being obstructed by furniture, and the Town Clerk reported that he had seen Messrs John Lance & Co, and informed them that the Council cannot permit the passage to be obstructed.

12—Tryes Road—Read, letter of the 16th inst. from Messrs. Taylor, Simpson & Mosley that Mr. G. A. M. Hall was prepared to pay the sum of £35 10s. 0d. being half the estimated cost of making up the widened portion of this road, and the Borough Surveyor reported that he was proceeding with the road. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

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13—Passages off Pittville Circus Road—RESOLVED, That the passages from Pittville Circus Road to the Recreation Ground and Whaddon Road be viewed at the next meeting of the View Committee.

14—One-Way Traffic—Read, letter from the Ministry of Transport that the Minister proposed to make an order for an indefinite period for the one-way traffic now in operation, and suggesting that the Corporation should substitute permanent illuminated signs in place of the temporary signs now erected. RESOLVED, That the Ministry be informed that the Council are prepared to erect permanent illuminated signs, but propose to defer doing this pending the findings of the Committee appointed by the Ministry and now considering the question of road signs.

15—View Meeting—Read, Report of the View Committee at their meeting held on the 10th instant. Present—The Mayor (in the chair) ; Alderman Pates ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs and Lipson.

They recommended as follows :—

(a) Turnstiles—That the offer of the Cheltenham Association Football Club of £1 for the two old turnstiles at the Depot be accepted.

(b) Marle Hill Tip—That a notice be fixed warning children against riding on the back of the refuse vehicles passing through Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground.

(c) Clarence Road and Evesham Road—That the Electricity Committee's application for the removal of a tree at the junction of these roads be not acceded to, but that the Electricity Committee be recommended to alter the position of the lamp standard.

(d) Albion Street—That the Council have no power to take any action in regard to Mr. S. R. Grove's complaint re hoarding at the corner of Gloucester Place.

(e) Hales Road—That Mr. A. E. Gough's application for the removal of two tall trees overlooking Notgrove Villa be not acceded to, but that the trees be pruned.

(f) Old Bath Road—That the ditch be piped in as provided for in the estimates.

(g) Naunton Lane—That the Education Committee's suggestion that a footpath be provided in Naunton Lane near Naunton Park be not agreed to.

(h) Bath Road--That no further action be taken with regard to a sign directing to Cambray Car Park.

(i) Andover Road—That two acacia trees be removed as recommended by the treeman, and one acacia planted.

(j) Queen's Parade—That the tree opposite No. 9 be removed as recommended by the treeman, and a young acacia substituted.

(k) Private Improvement Works—That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit plan, specification and estimate for making up Argyle Road and Victoria Place, Bath Road, and also the footpath in Eldorado Road from Queen's Road by the abutting owners,

RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 25th May, 1933. Present—Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Dr. Hayward, Morris and Yarnold ; Messrs. W. S. F. Harris, A. Wiggett and A. Yiend (Councillor Lt.-Col. Biggs in the chair).

1—Plans of New Buildings—(a) The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings, namely :—

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
3473	Wheeler & Mansell	Amended plan for 12 houses instead of 35, Hatherley Road.
3503	Naunton Estates Cheltenham Ltd.	12 semi-detached houses, Naunton Way.
3507	Hall, G. A. M.	4 semi-detached houses with garages, West Drive, Pittville.
3517	Instone, Mrs. R. L.	Conversion into two houses, Grove House, Montpellier Grove (Amended).
3521	Instone, A. A.	Motor house, rear of Lismore, 98 Bath Road.

3522	Restall, W. G.	Motor house, 2 Moorend Villas, Moorend Road.
3523	Bloodworth, A.	Motor house, Mostyn, Pilford Avenue.
3524	Irving, Madame	Cloak-room and chair store, Little Theatre, Bath Road.
3525	Baynes, A. L.	Motor house, Tennyson Road.
3526	Royal Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	Motor house and store room with new bridge over Chelt, 1 St. George's Parade.
3527	Gibbard, F.	Motor house, Wycliffe, Libertus Road.
3528	Lane, J. H. E.	Motor house, Wendover, Christ Church Road.
3529	Pilley, Mrs.	New bathroom, 14 Carlton Street.
3530	Ford, C. R.	Detached House, Gordon Road.
3531	Bendall & Sons	Motor house, Mead Road.
3532	Durn, W.	Bathroom addition, 1 Park View Terrace, Naunton Lane.
3533	Mark Williams & Co.	4 semi-detached houses with garages, Painswick Road.
3534	Hill, D. F.	Rebuilding of workshop, rear of 47 Winchcombe Street.
3535	Ebdon, J.	Additions, Belgrave Lodge, Montpellier Terrace.
3536	Booth, J.	Lock-up garages and new lavatory, Gloucester Road, Corner of Granley Road.
3537	Melville, W. J.	Motor house, Moorend Park Road.
3538	Bliss, G.	Conversion of stables and coach house into dwellinghouse, Sandford Villa, Arle Road.
3539	Andrews, W.	Shop and dwelling house, corner of Alstone Lane and Gloucester Road,
3540	Cheltenham Corporation	49 houses, Alstone Lawn Estate, Alstone Lane.
3541	“ “	32 houses, St. Mark's Estate.
3542	Marshall, A. E.	2 semi-detached houses, corner of Old Bath Road and Charlton Lane.
3543	Cheltenham and Gloucester Building Society.	Alterations and additions, Clarence Street.
3544	Dembenski, A. A.	Shed, 29 Tivoli Street.
3545	Haynes, J.	Motor house, 87 Byron Road.
3546	Marshall, A. E.	Detached bungalow, corner of Old Bath Road and Charlton Lane.
3547	Billings, A. C. & Sons	4 motor houses rear of new houses, Evesham Road.
3548	Sharpe & Fisher	Alterations, 101 Albion Street.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 3473, 3521, 3522, 3523, 3525, 3528, 3531, 3534, 3537, 3539, 3540, 3541, 3542 and 3544 be approved; That Plan No. 3503 be approved subject to the foundations being taken to solid ground; That Plans Nos. 3527 and 3545 be approved subject to proper entrance crossings over the footpath being constructed to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor ; That Plans Nos. 3517, 3529, 3532, 3535, 3536, 3538 and 3543 be approved subject to the drainage and sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, and in the case of Plan No. 3538, subject also to at least one foot of soil being removed from the portion of the site formerly used as a stable ; That Plans Nos. 3533 and 3546 be formally disapproved and that the same be referred to the Advisory Committee appointed by the Civic Society for their consideration, and that the View Sub-

Committee be asked to view the sites ; and That Plans Nos. 3507 (as the houses do not comply with the Pittville Covenant as to value), 3524, 3526, 3530, 3547 and 3548 be not approved.

(b) Contravention of Byelaws—Plan No. 3477—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. Skinner whose plan for a shed erected by him at Capesthorpe, Keynsham Road, was disapproved at the last meeting had not removed the shed RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give notice to Mr. Skinner to show cause why the building should not be removed as being in contravention of the Byelaws.

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2—Town Planning Area—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.
442	Price, C. W.	Garage, 2 The Pines, Cirencester Road.
443	—	Garage, Waterloo Cottage, Church Street, Charlton Kings.
444	Torteneze. C. H.	Additions, Cranbourne, Ryeworth Road, Charlton Kings.
445	Naunton Estates Ltd.	Development, Ewen's Farm, Haywards Road, Charlton Kings.
446	Bendall, H. A.	Semi-bungalow, off Badgeworth Lane, Shurdington.
447	Bendall, H. A.	2 garages, Badgeworth Lane, Shurdington.
448	Smith, C. E.	Bungalow, Warden Hill Road.
449	Jenkins, Mr.	4 pairs of semi-detached houses, Bouncer's Lane, Prestbury.
450	Box, J.	Bungalow, Badgeworth Lane, Shurdington.
451	Pates, Mrs. A. M.	Detached house, Warden Hill Road.
452	Harrison, E. R.	Billiard room, Swindon Manor, Swindon.
453	Cole, N. H.	Wind pump, Seven Springs Poultry Farm.
454	Groves, C. H.	Alterations, School house. Stoke Orchard.
455	Fear, E. J.	Shop and showroom, 2 Aston Villas, Lyefield Road West, Charlton Kings.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 442, 443, 444, 446, 447, 452, 454 and 455 be approved ; That Plans Nos. 448 and 451 be approved subject to the owners entering into undertakings to surrender the land without compensation for the widening of Warden Hill Road to the line laid down in the Town Planning Scheme if and when required by the Road Authority ; That Plan No. 449 be approved subject to the front fence being set back to the improvement line laid down in the Town Planning Scheme when required by the Road Authority ; That Plan No. 453 be approved subject to quick growing trees being planted in order to screen the tower ; That Plan No. 450 be referred to the Advisory Committee appointed by the Council for the Preservation of Rural England for their consideration ; and That Plan No 445 be not approved.

3—Evesham House, Evesham Road—Read, application from Mr. W. H. Bowd for permission to carry out alterations at Evesham House and to convert the house into a pair of semi-detached houses. RESOLVED, That Mr. Bowd be informed that the Committee will raise no objection to the proposal

subject to all new work conforming to the design of and harmonising with the old work, and to approval of the plans when submitted.

4—Tewkesbury Road—Read, letter from Mr. W. C. Towers for permission to erect a house in Tewkesbury Road. RESOLVED, That this be referred to a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman (Councillor E. L. Ward), Councillor Morris and Mr. Wiggett, to view the site of the proposed house.

5—Plan No. 3473--Read, letter of the 25th instant from the Hon. Treasurer of the Dean Close School that the School had completed negotiations with Messrs. Wheeler & Mansell for the purchase of the land on the town side of the bridge, and that the school had no objection to the erection of houses on land on the other side of the bridge.

6—Proposed Executive Committee—The Town Clerk reported that all the District Councils had appointed their representatives to attend the conference, but that he had not yet heard from the County Council, RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

7—Plan No. 3484—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. H. Oldacre had appealed to the Ministry of Health against the refusal of the Committee to approve his plans for a house in Queen's Road, and that a local inquiry on the appeal had been held on the 19th instant After the inquiry the Inspector suggested that the honorary architects of the Civic Society might be asked to prepare a plan of the elevation which they could recommend the Committee to approve, and submit this to Mr. Oldacre's architect for consideration.

8—Land, Old Bath Road—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit an estimate of the cost of making a temporary road on the land purchased from Mr. C. A. Smith with a view to selling off the land on either side of the proposed road for building.

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9—Plan No. 441—Read, letter of the 11th instant from the Ministry of Health enclosing copy of an appeal received from Mr. J. R. Birt against the refusal, of the Committee to grant permission for the development of his land in Bouncers Lane, and asking for the Council's observations thereon. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk's letter in reply be approved.

10—Town and County Planning Act—The Borough Surveyor submitted report of the proposed inclusion of the built up area of the Borough in the Town Planning Scheme. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

11—Elevations of Buildings—RESOLVED, That the Advisory Committees appointed by the Civic Society and the Council for the Preservation of Rural England be asked to inspect plans of elevation submitted to the Committee for approval prior to the meetings, so that the Committee may have the benefit of their observations thereon.

12—Riviera Gardens—The Borough Surveyor reported that a workshop, plans of which were disapproved on 10th September, 1931, had been erected by Mr. Daft, and were now used in conjunction with the railway carriage as a dwellinghouse. RESOLVED, That Mr. Daft be informed that

when the Scheme is approved, the Town Planning Authority will require the building to be removed, and that he will not be entitled to any compensation.

13—Plan No. 3474—Land, Whaddon Road—Read, letter of the 25th ult., from Messrs. Done, Hunter & Co. enclosing copy of their appeal to the Ministry of Health against the refusal of the plan submitted for the development of this property, also a further letter of the 9th inst. The Town Clerk reported that he and Mr. Streater had had an interview with Mr. Done on the 24th inst., when Mr. Done asked that the zoning of this land should be altered from residential to business purposes and subject to this his Clients were willing to give up free of charge the piece of frontage land containing 2855 square yards for a public open space and also when required the portion of their land reserved for the new road on condition that the land retained by them should not be subject to any charge for the construction of the road. RESOLVED, That they be informed that the Town Planning Committee are prepared to give favourable consideration to these proposals, but required submission of the proposed development before coming to a decision.

14—Kidnappers Lane, Leckhampton—Read, letter of the 3rd inst., from Messrs. Bruton, Knowles & Co. again urging that the reservation of part of this land for a Recreation Ground should be withdrawn or that the land should be purchased. RESOLVED, That the Committee adhere to their previous decision not to entertain the purchase of the land at the present time.

C. W. BIGGS,

Chairman

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 19th May, 1933. Present--The Mayor ; Alderman Pates ; Councillors Lipson, P. T. Smith, Thomas and Waite ; and Mr. H. W. Bennett (Councillor Waite in the chair).

1—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Report of the Entertainments Sub-Committee at their Meetings held on 24th and 27th April, and 11th May.

They recommended (inter alia) as follows :—

(a) Whit-Monday Fete—That the programme for the Whit-Monday Fete submitted by the Entertainments Manager, be approved, and that he be authorised to invite applications by advertisement for a Carnival Queen to be selected by the Mayoress, and to arrange for judges etc., for the procession, and also to hire a costume for the Carnival Queen, and also that the prizes for the procession and tender of Messrs. Pain & Sons of £30 for the fireworks be approved.

(b) That Mr. Fielding be paid the sum of £5 for the services of his band at the Sunday Evening Concert held on the 23rd April.

(c) West of England Dance Teachers Association—That, on the recommendation of the Entertainments Manager, that members of this association be admitted to one Municipal Dance free next season.

(d) Broadcasts—The Entertainments Manager having reported that the B.B.C. proposed to broadcast the Municipal Orchestra once a week commencing on Saturday, 1st July when the Orchestra would be relayed through all the Regional and National transmitters instead of confined to the Midland Regional, That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to make the necessary arrangements, and that of the broadcast fees received, Mr. Cole be paid the sum of £5 15s. 6d. per broadcast for the orchestra as last year.

(e) Glanhowy Male Voice Choir—That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to arrange for a concert by this Choir on a Sunday evening on sharing terms, the Choir to receive 60 per cent. of the takings after deduction of tax.

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

2—Montpellier Gardens—(a) Hard Tennis Courts—The Sub-Committee appointed to consider the maintenance of the hard courts met on the 11th April. Present- -Councillors Thomas (in the chair), P. T. Smith and Weech, The Sub-Committee considered the maintenance of these courts and as to any additional staff required, and recommended that the Gardens Superintendent be authorised to obtain additional labour for watering and rolling the courts at a cost not exceeding £1 10s. 0d. per week, and also to arrange for the work to be done during the late evening so as to avoid interfering with play, and that he be instructed to report on this arrangement in a month's time. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

(b) Entrances—The Borough Surveyor submitted estimate of the cost of removing the railings at the North West corner of these Gardens, and constructing an entrance gate. The total cost was estimated at £65. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to have this carried out.

3—Winter Garden—Boxing Tournament—Messrs. F. Taylor Brown and W. J. Green attended as a deputation from the Boxing Tournament Committee in regard to the Corporation's account amounting to £83 17s. 3d. for the rent, staff, labour and materials etc. for the preparation of the Winter Garden for the Boxing Tournament held on the 8th March. RESOLVED, That the rent of £5 be waived, the item for staff reduced by £9 17s. 6d., and the cost of making good the damage to the paths of 25s be also waived; also, That the sum of £5 be allowed for the electric fittings purchased for the boxing ring at a cost of £10 2s. 9d.

4—Pittville Gardens—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Central Brotherhood for the use of Pittville Gardens and Pump Room for a fete to be held on a date to be arranged in July be granted at a rent of £3 3s. 0d., subject to their undertaking to make good any damage which may be done to the Gardens, and to detailed programme being submitted for the approval of the Committee.

5—Pittville Mineral Water—The Committee considered proposal of the Entertainments Manager that this water should be aerated and bottled, and a quotation from Messrs. Niblett & Co for the

aeration of the water was submitted. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for further enquiries to be made as to marketing the water.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 26th May, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Pates, Councillors Lipson, Pruen, P. T. Smith, H. W. Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward and Weech ; Messrs. H. Bennett E. W. Dicks and J. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair).

6—Montpellier Gardens—Floral Fete—Mr. W. J. Green and Mrs. Bissett attended on behalf of the Floral Fete Committee and stated that their Committee would issue tickets to persons hiring the hard courts during the Show as requested. They asked for the use of the Municipal Orchestra for the two days of the Show. RESOLVED, That this be granted subject to the Floral Fete Committee paying the proportion of the cost of the Orchestra for the two days as in previous years.

7—Town Hall--Carmen Statuette—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to provide a mahogany Flower Stand with zinc lined troughs for flowers so as to form a guard round the statuette.

8—Alstone Baths—(a) The Borough Surveyor submitted application from the Technical College for the use of Alstone Baths for a Gala on the 11th July. RESOLVED, That the application be granted at a charge of £1 1s. 0d.

(b) The Borough Surveyor submitted application from the Superintendents (Mr. and Mrs. Pilkington), for an increase in salary. RESOLVED, That their salary be increased from £200 to £225 per annum.

9—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Report of the Entertainments Sub-Committee at their Meeting held on the 22nd instant. They recommended as follows :—(a) Town Hall—Staff—That one of the male cleaners at the Town Hall (T. Lucassi) be transferred from the Town Hall to the Concerts Staff for the summer season, at a wage of £2 12s. 6d., and that the wage of Mr. Harding, Concert Attendant, be increased to £2 12s. 6d.

(b) That free tickets to the Concerts be issued to blind persons and their attendants as last year. RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

10—Pittville Gardens—Dog Show—The Committee considered application from Mrs. Gardiner for the use of Pittville Gardens and Pump Room for the 1934 Show of the West of England Ladies Kennel Society. Mrs. Gardiner attended the Committee. RESOLVED, That the Gardens and Pump Room be granted free of charge subject to advertisements not being put up until the day before the Show. RESOLVED, also, That a perpetual Challenge Cup valued £10 10s. 0d. be offered by the Corporation for the Show.

11—Travel Association—Read, letter from the Travel Association enclosing copy of a booklet issued in various languages which included a reference and picture of Cheltenham, and asking the Council

to subscribe at the rate of a farthing rate instead of on the population basis of per thousand as at present. The Entertainments Manager reported that the Spa Federation were considering this matter in conjunction with the British Health Resorts Association. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

12—Electricity Works—Cooling Ponds—The Committee at this and their last meeting reconsidered the question of converting one of the cooling ponds into a swimming pool. The Borough Surveyor reported that he estimated the cost of converting one of the ponds for the use of school children only, and providing temporary conveniences and dressing room and levelling and tidying up the ground, and providing a new water main at about £150. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to carry out this work. RESOLVED, also, That for the present the use of the bath be limited to school children accompanied by their teachers and swimming instructors, and that no charge be made to the school children for the use of the baths.

13—Town Hall—(a) Tables—The Committee considered the tenders received for the supply of tables for the Dance Teas at the Town Hall. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that Messrs. Smiths Systems Ltd. be asked to submit a sample table as now specified by the Committee.

(b) RESOLVED, That the free use of the necessary accommodation at the Town Hall be granted for the conference of the Esperantist Federation to be held in Cheltenham at Whitsuntide 1933.

(c) Salem Baptist Church—Read, application from this Church for the use of the large hall for religious services on six Sundays commencing 27th August during the redecoration and repairs to the Church. RESOLVED, That the large hall be granted at a charge of £5 per Sunday.

14—Bunting—RESOLVED, That the General Purposes Committee be recommended to transfer to this Committee the stock of bunting and that the Council be recommended to transfer to this Committee the duty of considering applications for the loan and hanging up in the streets of the bunting instead of the Street and Highway Committee.

15—Mineral Waters—Season Tickets—RESOLVED, That the prices of the season tickets be revised as follows :—Monthly ticket 5s ; Three Months' ticket 10s 6d ; and Yearly ticket £1 1s. 0d.

16—Spa Specialisation—The Entertainments Manager reported that at the recent meeting of the Spa Federation it was decided to recommend that each Spa should confer with its Medical Advisory Committee on the question of Spa Specialisation. RESOLVED, That the Spa Medical Advisory Committee be asked to meet this committee to consider the matter.

T. WILFRED WAITE, Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 29th May, 1933. Present—The Mayor; The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Moore; Councillors Scott Langley, Waite, E. L. Ward and J. F. Ward (Alderman Moore in the chair)

1—Renewals Account—RESOLVED, That the sum of £1,540 4s. 7d. included in the Revenue expenditure for the year ended 31st March last, in respect of replacement of cables etc., be transferred to the reserve for renewals account.

2—Public Lighting—(a) The Committee further considered the report on the street lighting together with list of streets arranged in geographical areas as amended by members of the Committee. RESOLVED, That the classification of the roads, as now settled, be approved.

(b) Naunton Parade—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that when laying a new service cable in this road, he had taken the opportunity to alter the position of the street lamp to a better position on the other side of the road. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(c) Butt's Passage and Crowther's Passage, off Malvern Street—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to provide a lamp in each of these passages.

(d) Clarence Road and Evesham, Road—The Town Clerk reported that the Street and Highway Committee were not willing to remove the tree at the corner of Clarence Road and Evesham Road. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to provide a hanging lamp in the centre of the cross roads suspended from two trees.

3—Supply to Rural Areas—(a) The Town Clerk reported that the consents of all the local authorities had been received to this scheme except that in the case of the section along Badgeworth Road, the County Council asked that the poles should be set back 15 feet from the road, and that the Rural District Council asked that the poles should be placed in the hedge where possible. RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Borough Electrical Engineer be asked to meet representatives of the County Council and Rural District Council to discuss the matter.

(b) Wayleaves—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had difficulty in obtaining the required wayleave from Mr. A. J. Hewinson for poles for the overhead line required for the Shurdington and Badgeworth Scheme. RESOLVED, That notice under Section 22 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, be served of the proposal to place the line and also that application be made to the Ministry of Transport under Section 44 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1926, for sanction to the erection of the line in question.

(c) Cleeve Hill—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had agreed with the Winchcomb Rural District Council as to the overhead line for providing the ring main to Cleeve Hill, and the Town Clerk submitted letter from the County Council objecting to the overhead line, RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to submit an estimate of the cost of laying the main underground.

4—Cables—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted tenders received for the supply of cables for the ensuing year. RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Borough Electrical Engineer, That the tender of the Hackbridge Cable Company Ltd. be accepted subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into,

5—Extensions to Mains—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to make the three extensions to mains referred to in his report at a total estimated cost of £671, and also that he

be authorised to arrange terms with the Birmingham Corporation for the purchase or lease of a site on the Salterley Grange Estate for the erection of a transformer and switch gear in connection with the extension to Blackhedge, Birdlip Road.

6—Superannuation Scheme—Read, letter of 24th inst. from the National Union of General and Municipal Workers enclosing the names of 16 men who were desirous of contributing to the Superannuation Scheme, but who had not had an opportunity of doing so before. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

7—Damage to Lamp Standard—Read, report of damage to a lamp standard on the 5th inst. by a motor lorry belonging to Mr. E. A Exell. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for replacing the standard estimated at £8 6s 0d.

8—Gas Tests—Read, reports of Gas Tests made on the 2nd, 8th, 15th and 25th inst., which showed the Calorific Value on these dates to be 467.3, 472.5, 475.0, and 471.7 B.Th.U. respectively, and the Pressure 5.4, 5.5, 5.4, and 5.6 inches water.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held at Tewkesbury, on Tuesday, 9th May, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Aldermen Margrett, and Moore ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, and Morris (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days ended 8th May, 1933.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	359,000 gallons	304,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	557,000	1,022,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	72,000	58,000
Total	988,000	1,384,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth 8th May, 1933.	Contents 8th May, 1933.	Depth 8th May, 1932.	Contents 8th May, 1932.
Hewletts		27,123,000 gallons		13,115,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	28ft. 3ins.	80,909,000 "	30ft. 8ins.	93,040,000 "
Leckhampton	11ft. 8ins.	1,485,000	8ft. 0ins.	1,080,000
Total Storage		109,517,000		107,235,000

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

3—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered, and the rates settled and adjusted.

4—Land, London Road—The Borough Surveyor reported further as to the retention of the bungalows on the land to be purchased in London Road. He estimated that to pipe in the water course as far as the road would cost about £400. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended that none of the buildings should be retained as dwelling houses, and that Minute No. 6 (b) passed at the last meeting of the Committee be varied accordingly.

5—Castle Barn Farm—Read, application from the tenant of this farm for a reduction in the rent. RESOLVED, on the recommendation of Mr. C. C. Castle that the same abatement as allowed for the Michaelmas rent be made for the rent up to last March.

6—Lower Woodlands Farm—Read, letter of the 24th ult. from Mr. C. C. Castle that Mr. Barrett was willing to continue the tenancy of this farm if the rent is reduced to 22s per acre as from Michaelmas. RESOLVED, That this reduction be agreed to.

7—Tewkesbury Waterworks—The Committee inspected the works in progress at Tewkesbury Waterworks.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT.

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 23rd May, 1933, Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Margrett, Moore and Pates: Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, Thomas, Waite, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Diseases Amongst Animals—(a) Superintendent Wayman reported that with the exception of a case of tuberculosis and Swine Fever the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

(b) Sheep, Dipping Regulations—Read, circular from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries in regard to the amendment of Sheep Dipping Regulations of the local authorities of the Midland and Southern group of counties requiring the dipping of sheep moved into their districts from Scotland and Northumberland, so as to preserve the uniformity of regulations applying to the movement of sheep in this group of counties. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned pending the decision of the County Council on the matter.

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

Date.	Place.	Cause.	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
24th April	Leawood, Langton Grove Road	Not apparent	£50	£5 11s. 6d.
26th April	84 High Street	Not apparent	£10	£4 3s. 6d.
30th April	Westal, Montpellier Parade	Not apparent	Nil	£2 11s. 6d.

(b) Dowdeswell House—Read, letter from Mr. A. C. Hext asking the Corporation to provide the services of the Brigade for his property which included Dowdeswell House, 3 loose boxes, 2 small garages, stable and loft. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to subject to his entering into an agreement to pay an annual retaining fee of £4, and the expenses, according to scale, of the attendance of the Brigade etc. in the event of an outbreak of fire.

3—Bunting----RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. E. Ivamy for the use of some bunting for the Technical College Garden Fair on the 17th June be granted.

4—Cheltenham Guardians Committee—RESOLVED, That Councillor Selim Smith be appointed a representative of the Council on the Guardians Committee in place of Councillor P. T. Smith, resigned.

5—Gordon Memorial Lamp—The Town Clerk submitted proposed design of the tablet which the Scottish Society proposed to place on the Gordon Lamp. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

6—Pawnbroker's Licence—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. H. Higgins for the renewal of his Pawnbroker's Licence be granted up to the 9th November next.

7—Renumbering—Portland Street—The Borough Surveyor submitted estimate of the cost of renumbering the properties in Portland Street amounting to £2. RESOLVED, That Notices be served under the Town Improvement Clauses, 1847, requiring the occupiers in this street to renumber their premises, and that if the notices are not complied with, the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the renumbering carried out, and that no charge be made for renumbering premises which already have a number legibly marked thereon.

8—Devil's Chimney—RESOLVED, That the Chairman, The Mayor, Alderman Pates and Councillor Leigh James be appointed a Sub-Committee to inspect the Devil's Chimney and report as to its condition.

9—St. Paul's Street South—The Committee further considered memorial received by residents complaining of the use of the cleared sites in St. Paul's Street South as a fair ground. Read, also, letter from the Rev. W. E. Beck, complaining of the nuisance caused to the staff and students at the College. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to Mr. Edwards informing him that if the nuisance is not abated proceedings will have to be taken in the matter.

10—Three Counties Show—The Committee considered letter of the 27th ult. from the Chamber of Commerce to the Town Council suggesting that the Three Counties Show should be invited to hold their Show in Cheltenham. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to send an invitation.

11—Ordnance Survey Maps—Read, circular of the 28th February last from the Ordnance Survey Office setting out revised conditions which would operate as from the 1st December next as to the reproduction of ordnance plans. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Borough Surveyor for attention.

12—Royal Crescent Garden—The Town Clerk submitted report dated the 4th inst. from Mr. G. S. Giller of his valuation of the Royal Crescent Garden. RESOLVED, That Mr. G. S. Giller be instructed to negotiate terms for the purchase of the land to be submitted for approval of the Council.

13—Omnibus Services—Read, letter of the 20th ult. from the Cheltenham District Traction Company stating that it was proposed to commence the half-hourly service to Cleeve Hill at 11 a.m. instead of 8 a.m., and to run two additional omnibuses on Saturdays at 11.30 a.m. and 12.30 p.m., and to run the same Sunday service as last year on the Leckhampton, St. Mark's, and Lilleybrook routes, and to withdraw the Sunday service on the Sandy Lane route as there did not appear to be any demand for this. RESOLVED, That no objection be made to these proposals.

14—**Police Agreement**—The Mayor reported that the **Sub-Committee** had considered the draft agreement as revised on behalf of the County, but could not recommend that these revisions be accepted as the draft had again been revised so as to alter the form of the existing agreement. RESOLVED, That the County be informed that these revisions cannot be agreed to.

15—Traffic Control—The Mayor submitted return made by the Chief Constable of the number of accidents occurring in Cheltenham during 12 months. RESOLVED, That a meeting of the Traffic Sub-Committee be held to consider the report on the 30th inst.

16—Leckhampton Hill Estate—Read, application from Messrs. McLaren & Jeens for a grant of lease to Mr. Murray Lindner of the land on the west side of the Leckhampton Road adjoining Mr. Murray Lindner's works. RESOLVED, That the Mayor and Town Clerk be asked to inspect the land and arrange terms if they thought it was desirable.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 8th May, 1933. Present - Lt.-Col. Biggs and Morris; Messrs, A. C. Castle, Clarkson and Wend (Councillor Morris in the chair),

1—St. Mark's Allotments—Read, application from the Unemployed Allotments Association for permission to fix an additional gate to these allotments. RESOLVED, That permission be given,

2-Allotment No. 17b Whaddon Road (1920)----RESOLVED, That the tenant be allowed four months' rebate in the rent having regard to the bad condition of the allotment when let to him.

3—Allotment No. 40 Rainbow Field—Read, application from the tenant of this allotment for a reduction in the rent having regard to the bad state of the allotment. RESOLVED, That this be not granted as nearly two months' rebate was allowed on his taking the allotment.

4—Allotments No. 30 and 32 Rainbow Field—Read, application from the tenant of these allotments for a rebate in the rent in view of the bad condition of the allotments. RESOLVED, That time months' rebate be allowed.

. C. MORRIS,

Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 8th May, 1933. Present—Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs and Morris, (Councillor Morris in the chair).

1—Pittville Crescent—The Borough Surveyor reported that the pavement complained of by Col. Collett had now been repaired

2—Sandford Park (a) The Gardens Superintendent reported the gift of two lizards from the Rev. J. R. Lear. RESOLVED, That these be accepted with thanks.

(b) The Gardens Superintendent reported that two valuable rock plants had been removed from the rockery at Sandford Park. RESOLVED, That a notice be put up in the Park offering a reward of £1 to anyone giving information leading to the conviction of any person found stealing flowers, plants or shrubs etc., from the Public Parks and Gardens.

4—Chelsea Flower Show—RESOLVED, That the Gardens Superintendent be authorised to attend this show as last year, reasonable expenses being allowed.

3—Cricket Pitches—(a) RESOLVED, That permission be given to the St. Paul's Old Boys' Cricket Club to play cricket on Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground on alternate Saturdays during the present season.

(b) RESOLVED, That the applications of the Plough Hotel Cricket Club and the Savoy Cricket Club for permission to play cricket on the Agg-Gardner and Whaddon Road Recreation Grounds respectively, during the present season be not granted.

S. C. MORRIS,Chairman.

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ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 12th May, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Dr. Curling Hayward, Scott Langley and Weech ; Dr. R. Davies and Mr. C. R. Mapp (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—Visits-5,549 (against 2,452). Included in these figures were parties from Swindon Village School (10) ; and Gloucester City Rovers Football Club (40),

Receipts—Catalogues, Postcards, "Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund," etc. £8 6s. 5d.

Exhibitions—The Exhibition of Portraiture in Fabricolour by Messrs. Debenham, Longman & Co. Ltd., and Photographs by the Cheltenham Amateur Photographic Society had been on view from 6th to 22nd April, followed by the New Group and a selection from the Permanent Collection.

Gibraltar House—The Curator reported that necessary cleaning, distemping and painting had been done at a total cost of £11 4s. 0d. and that several persons had been interviewed, but that the property was not yet let.

Disposal of Geological Material—Three Cheltenham Colleges and eight Elementary Schools had availed themselves of the opportunity of selecting 173 specimens from the duplicate geological material.

2—Donations—Mr. Coates, Iron fitting for Patten ; Mr. R. Dobson, Fossil ; Dr. Oliver H. Wild, Gloucester City Water Pipe Lead Junction,

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

3—Loans—The Mayor, Early Cap-Perussion Revolver, 1857, used during the Indian Mutiny ; Mr. E. Courtney Gardner, Harvester's Cider Barrel, 2 Powder Flasks, Kitchen Chopper, late 18th century, Bellarmine Bottle.

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

4—" Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund "—RESOLVED, That the Curator's action in purchasing an 18th century Cock-Fighting Judge's Chair in mahogany for £15 15s. 0d. at the sale of the effects of the late Sir Cecil Armitage, be confirmed

5—Show Case—RESOLVED, That the Curator's action in purchasing a glass show-case for the display of art specimens for £5 5s. 0d. be confirmed.

6—Leslie Young Benefaction—RESOLVED, That the purchase of two water-colours, "The Wild Duck," and " Homewards," by Henry A. Payne, R.W.S., for £2 5s. 0d. be confirmed.

7—Bygones—RESOLVED, That a collection of " bygone " tools used by blacksmiths, wheelwrights and fishermen be purchased for £2 2s. 0d.

8—Society of Women Artists—RESOLVED, That the Curator be authorised to arrange for an Exhibition by the Society of Women Artists when convenient,

9—Museums Association Conference—RESOLVED, That the Curator be authorised to attend this Conference at Norwich from 3rd to 7th July.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM, Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 29th May, 1933. Present—Councillors The Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Morris, Selim Smith, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of the Superintendent for the period from 22nd April to 29th May, 1933. Interments 62 ; Grave Spaces sold 16 (First Position 1, Second Position 1, Fourth Position 14) ; Memorials erected 12; New Inscriptions 19.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8789 to 8802 (both inclusive).

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following Designs be approved :—Cross, Bases and Kerbing to graves of Henry Lancashire, and Ursula Mary Miers ; Headstone, Base and Kerbing to grave of William Dunlop Murphy ; Head-piece and Kerbing to graves of Albert Edward Severn, Charles Weller, John Hobson, and Annie Mary Yapp ; Cross and Kerbing to graves of Elizabeth Lucy Green, Walter Vale, and Grace Ann Jones ; Granite Block and Kerbing to grave of Samuel Ward Kerbing and Posts to graves of Kate Ameila Weavin, William Phillips, Jessie Crisp, Edith Mary Hussey, Rosetta Emily Davis, Charles Edwin Moore and Ellen Moore, Ellen Godfrey, and Thomas Lyon ; Kerbing to graves of William H. Mack, John Adrian Whittle, Frank Bowman, William Henry Copestake, Walter William Copestake and Albert Ernest Copestake, Jane Hawkins, and John J. L. Oakey, and Grave No. 44 Section A.1., Scroll to grave of Charlotte Lovesey.

4—Water Cans—The Superintendent reported that the bar provided for hanging private water cans was now full, and recommended that similar stands should be provided at the remaining five watering points. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have this done.

5—Maintenance of Grave—Read, letter of the 3rd inst. from Miss E. B. Cypher enquiring what legacy the Corporation would accept for the maintenance of Grave Spaces 2221 and 2222 Section L, and the two headstones erected thereon, RESOLVED, That the Corporation are willing to accept a legacy of £100 free of duty.

6—Chapel Spire—The Borough Surveyor reported that Messrs. Hird & Son had examined the chapel spire, and submitted their quotation for the work required to be done amounting to £20. RESOLVED, That this tender be accepted subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 29th May, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore ; Councillors E. L. Ward and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Proposals—The Committee considered the 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, 30th May, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor; Councillors Leigh James, A. S. F. Pruen, Waite and E. L. Ward (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 29th inst., on the collection of the First Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £18,910. Leaving outstanding £84,688.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 29th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 30th September, 1933. Amount collected £4,920. Leaving outstanding £13,877.

3—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on 30th inst. Present—The Deputy Mayor (in the chair) ; and Councillor Waite.

The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

4—Loans—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £150 on loan. RESOLVED, That a Debenture be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loan.

5—Superannuation—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that S. Bee and W. Stanbridge, sweepers, were due to retire on the 20th June and 22nd June next respectively. RESOLVED, That they be paid respective allowances of 5s 11d. and 12s 3d. per week calculated on their wages for the last five years on a non-contributory basis of 15 and 34 year's service.

(b) The Borough Treasurer reported that H. Barlow, ex-brushman, died on the 26th inst.

6—Corporation 3 per cent. Stock—RESOLVED, That the Borough Treasurer be authorised to purchase two parcels of this Stock amounting to £1,154 13s. 11d. RESOLVED, also, That the sum of £1,154 13s 11d. 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—Short Term Mortgages—The Borough Treasurer reported that it was desirable to consider the question of funding a portion of the debt by issue of stock. RESOLVED, That a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman, the Mayor, Councillors Pruen and E. L. Ward be appointed to discuss the matter and proposals for an issue.

8—Ex-Stokers—Read, letter of 1st inst. from A. E. Hooper, R. R. Hands and T. Roach, applying for the refund of the difference in their superannuation contributions, as since May, 1928, they had been working as labourers at reduced rates of pay. The Borough Treasurer reported that the amount due to them up to the time of reduction of status with 3 per cent. interest would be £9 9s. 2d., £8 3s. 2d., and £9 11s. 7d. respectively. RESOLVED, That these sums be paid to them.

9—Exchequer Grants—RESOLVED, That the Borough Member (Sir Walter Preston, M.P.) be asked to urge on behalf of the Corporation, that in any adjustments of grants in respect of highly rated areas, adjustment should be made on the basis of population and not in rate poundage.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 29th June, 1933.

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 July, 1933, 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 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 and to consider applications for licences to deal in game, and also licences under Poisons and Pharmacy Act. ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE also to consider report as to proposed issue of stock and to give any instructions thereon that may be necessary.
4. EDUCATION COMMITTEE—To appoint a person acquainted with the needs of the various kinds of Schools a member of the Education Committee to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. G. Blagg.

5. Letter from Clerk to County Council re Review of County Electoral Divisions.

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 held at the Municipal Offices in the said Borough, on Wednesday, 7th June, 1933, at 3 p.m. Present The Mayor (Councillor Capt. John Henry Trye, C.B.E., R.N., J.P.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P.).

Aldermen Margrett, C.B.E., J.P., C.A., Moore, Pates, and Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P. ;
Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, O.B.E., Dr. Hayward, M.B.E., M.B., B.S., Leigh James, Lipson, M.A., Morris,
Pruen, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Weech, M.A., and Yarnold.

Apologies—Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Scott Langley and Selim Smith.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 1st May, 1933, 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.

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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 May 8

Housing Meeting held May 11

(An Amendment moved by Councillor J. F. Ward : " That Minute No. 10 in regard to the sale of houses, be referred back," was not seconded).

Street and Highway Meeting held May 22

Town Planning Meeting held May 25

Subject to the following amendments :—Moved by Councillor Weech and seconded by Councillor Thomas: That consideration of Plan No. 3526 be referred back for further consideration."

Moved by Councillor Pruen and seconded by Councillor Lipson : That Minute No. 11 in regard to the inspection of plans of elevation by the Advisory Committees of the Civic Society and Council for Preservation of Rural England, be referred back for further consideration."

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Town Improvement and Spa Meetings May 19 and 26

Subject to an amendment moved by Councillor Pruen and seconded by Councillor Lt.-Col. Biggs : " That Minute No. 2 (b) in regard to the construction of an entrance gate at the North Western corner of Montpellier Gardens, be referred back for further consideration."

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held May 29

Water Meeting held May 9

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held May 23

except that Minute No. 4 be referred back for further consideration.

Allotments Meeting held May 8

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held May 8

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held May 12

Burial Board Meeting held May 29

Rating Meeting held May 29

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Finance Meeting held May 30

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, and such additional sums as may become payable during the month in respect of current Contracts upon the Certificate of the Architect or Officer under whom the work is carried out.

Resolved, also, That instructions be given to Mr. Collins to negotiate terms for the purchase of an issue of £300,000 3 per cent. Stock for a term of about 25 years at a price which will cost the Corporation, including all expenses and sinking fund, approximately 3 ½ per cent., and that subject to the purchaser being approved by the Committee and to the consent Order of the Minister of Health being obtained for the issue, the Common Seal be affixed to an agreement with the purchaser containing such provisions as may be approved by the Finance Committee; also that application be made to the Ministry of Health for a Consent Order to the issue of the stock on the terms to be arranged.

3—Enlargement of Town Council—The Town Clerk reported that an Order in Council was made on the 25th ult. directing that the number of wards should be eight and the number of Councillors 24, and that it was now for the Secretary of State to appoint a Commissioner to prepare a scheme for determining the boundaries of the wards and apportioning the Councillors among them. Resolved, unanimously, That the Town Clerk be instructed to ask the Commissioner to provide in his scheme for the present members of the Council to be allotted to the new wards containing the larger number of their present constituents, and also for the Aldermen to be assigned in the same way to the new wards containing the larger portion of the present ward to which they are assigned.

4-Education Committee-Resolved, That Miss Matthews be appointed a member of the Education Committee for a term of three years expiring on the 7th May, 1936, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss E. M. Conder.

J. H. TRYE, 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 held on Monday, 3rd July, 1933.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 12th June, 1933. Present—Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Morris, Pruen, Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor Pruen in the chair).

1—Insanitary Property at (a) 40 St. James' Street ; 7 Sun Street; and 4 Fairhaven Street—The Committee having considered the representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses are satisfied that the said houses are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation in the respect mentioned in the said official representation, and that they are capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Sub-section 1 of Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1930, notices be given to the persons having control of the houses requiring them to execute the works to be specified in the notices which will in the opinion of the Committee render the houses fit for human habitation.

(b) 1 Elmdale Cottages, Fairfield Parade—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee on the 9th January last the works specified to be done at these premises had now been carried out to his satisfaction by Mr. C. T. Clark at a cost of £7 9s. 6d. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Owner for payment.

2—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-43 Sun Street, 1 Worcester Street ; 11 to 18 Edward Street ; 1 to 6 Edward Place ; and 1 to 5 Edward 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.

3—Nuisances from Drains etc. at (a) 2 to 6 Magdala Cottages, St. Mark's—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 premises 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) 54 and 55 Upper Norwood Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the drainage work at these premises had now been carried out by Messrs. S. C. Morris & Sons at a cost of £33 1s. 10d. The apportionment made by the Borough Surveyor between the owners of the cost was submitted. RESOLVED, That the same be approved, and that an Order be made under the Common Seal declaring the said expenses to be Private Improvement Expenses, and that notices of the apportionment be served on the Owners, and demands for repayment of the sum apportioned against them,

4—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) 21 Marle Hill Parade (basement) ; Engineers Arms, Swindon Road (3 rooms) ; 119 ½ High Street (1st and 2nd floors)—The Sanitary Inspector reported that he had inspected the parts of these premises. The Rota Sub-Committee also reported their inspection of Engineers Arms and 119 ½ High Street. RESOLVED, That the Council are satisfied that the above mentioned parts of the said buildings are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation, and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and that notices be served upon the persons having control of the houses, Owners thereof, and mortgagees, if any, of the time and place at which the condition of the said parts of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or future user thereof will be considered at a Meeting of this Committee to be held on the 10th July, 1933. when any of the above mentioned persons will be entitled to be heard.

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(b) 56 Grosvenor Street (basement)—The Committee further considered the question of making a Closing Order in respect of the basement rooms of these premises. Read, letter from Mr. Horlick, the Owner, consenting to an Order being made. RESOLVED, That the Council, being satisfied that the basement rooms of the said premises, which is occupied or is of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and is unfit for human habitation, and is not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and no undertakings having been given by the Owner to carry out the work required to render the premises fit for human habitation or as to the future user of the said part of the said building, an Order be now made under the Common Seal in pursuance of Section 20 of the Housing Act, 1930, prohibiting the use of the said rooms for human habitation,

(c) 3 Albert Street, St. Peters ; 27 Sherborne Street; 5, 6 and 7 Worcester Street ; 2 Wood's Court, Sherborne Street ; 21 Bath Road ; and Studio at rear of 19 Bath Road—The Committee considered official representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses and also report of Rota Sub-Committee thereon, RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the above mentioned dwelling houses are unfit for human habitation and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being

rendered so fit, notices be given under Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, to the Owners, to the persons having control of the houses, and Mortgagees, if any, that the condition of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or the future user of the houses will be considered at a meeting of this Committee to be held on 10th July, 1933, when any of the above mentioned persons will be entitled to be heard.

(d) 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 Ambrose Place ; 1 to 8 Knapp Place ; Holly Cottage, New Street ; 27, 28 and 29 New Street—The Committee further considered the question of making Demolition Orders in respect of these premises. RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the dwelling houses, which are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes are unfit for human habitation, and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and no undertakings having been given by the Owners with respect to the carrying out of work or the future user of the houses, Demolition Orders be now made by the Council in pursuance of Sub-Section (3) of Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, requiring that the houses shall be vacated within 28 days from the date on which the Orders become operative, and that the premises shall be demolished within six weeks after the expiration of the above mentioned period, or if the houses are not vacated by that date, within six weeks after the date on which they are vacated.

(e) Repton, Hewlett Street—RESOLVED, That consideration of the question of making a Closing Order in respect of the basement of these premises be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

(f)

6 Ambrose Place ; 25, 25a, 27 and 29 Jersey Street ; 2a, 3a, 4 and 7a Rutland Street—RESOLVED, That consideration of the question of making Demolition Orders in respect of these premises be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee, and that in the case of No. 6 Ambrose Place the Medical Officer of Health be instructed to report on the application of the Owner of the house to use the premises as stores.

(g) Carlton Place West and 1 to 7 Kew Place—The Rota Sub-Committee reported their inspection of these houses. RESOLVED, That these houses be included in the five years programme to be dealt with in Clearance Areas.

(h) 27 Russell Street—The Rota Sub-Committee reported their inspection of this house. RESOLVED, That the Undertaking given by the Owner to carry out within three months the works necessary to render the premises fit for human habitation be accepted.

5—Overcrowding at 13a Russell 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—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 2 cwts. 23 lbs. Beef ; 2 qrs. 11 lbs. Mutton ; 3 qrs. 8 lbs. Pork ; 24 lbs. Fowls ; 3 qrs. 21 lbs. Fish.

7—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—RESOLVED, That the applications of Messrs. A. C. Fear and G. F. Burrows of Hunt Court, Badgeworth and Oakley Farm, Prestbury Road respectively, to be registered as Retail Purveyors of Milk within the Borough be granted subject to compliance with the usual conditions.

8—Montpellier Baths—The Sanitary Inspector submitted complaint of the emission of smoke from the chimney of these baths. RESOLVED, That the Town Improvement and Spa Committee be asked to consider the installation of smoke consuming apparatus.

9—Drainage of New Buildings—The Committee further considered the supervision of the drainage of new buildings. RESOLVED, To recommend the Council that the supervision of sanitary and drainage work of all new buildings be transferred from the Borough Surveyor's Department to the Health Department, it being understood that this will not involve any additional expense ; also, That this resolution be communicated to the Street and Highway and Town Planning Committees.

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10—Annual Report of Medical Officer of Health—The Medical Officer of Health submitted his annual report for the year ended the 31st December last, which would in accordance with the instructions of the Ministry of Health be an Ordinary Report. The following statistics were included in the report which were based on the Registrar General's estimate of population in 1932, which was 51,160, The Birth Rate was 11.7 per thousand inhabitants, which equalled the low record for the year 1918. The gross Death Rate was 14.4 per thousand inhabitants, which when corrected for irregularities of distribution as regards age and sex so as to be comparable with other districts in the country was reduced to 10.8 per thousand inhabitants, as compared with 12.0 per thousand inhabitants for the whole of England and Wales The Death Rate of children under one year of age was 65.9 per thousand live births, the highest since 1928.

11—Slum Clearance—The Medical Officer of Health submitted preliminary note on the programme which he was preparing. He also submitted list of the houses and parts of houses in respect of which Demolition or Closing Orders had been made under the 1930 Act, which when the Orders had been complied with, would involve the displacement of about 266 persons. RESOLVED, That the list be forwarded to the Housing Committee, and that they be recommended to consider the provision of further houses on the Alstone Lawn Estate.

12—Flooding--Sandford Mill Road—Read, letter of 22nd ult. from the Land Drainage Officer that he had written to the Rev. Rhodes asking him to deal with the obstructions in the Chelt at the point shown on the plan enclosed with his letter

13—Dust Nuisance---Dammann Asphalt 1Vorks—The Rota Sub-Committee reported their inspection of these Works. The new dust extracting plant had been installed, but was not working satisfactorily, and the Sanitary Inspector submitted a letter from the Directors that alterations were being carried out to the plant which, it was hoped would remedy the nuisance, RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee, and that the Rota Sub-Committee be asked to inspect the works again.

14—Public Convenience—L.M. & Station—Read, letter from the L.M. & S. Railway Company that they were now prepared to recommend the Company to sell a site at the L.M. & S. Station at the price of £40, subject to the stipulation that the Company should not be liable to support any building on the site in the event of the Company's stables being removed. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

ARTHUR S. F. PRUEN.

Chairman.

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HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 15th June, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Councillors Lipson, P. T. Smith and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

1—Housing Manager—(a) Annual Report—The Annual Report of the Housing Manager was submitted. RESOLVED That the report be sent to each member of the Council, and that the recommendation of the Housing Manager to appoint a Caretaker for the St. Paul's Estate be referred to the Selection of Tenants and Repairs Sub-Committee.

(b) Arrears—The Housing Manager submitted her quarterly report on the arrears of rent.

2—Selection of Tenants and Repairs Sub-Committee—Read, report of the Sub-Committee at their meeting held on the 9th instant. Present--Alderman Pates (in the chair) ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Morris, P. T. Smith and Yarnold. They recommended as follows :-2a, 3a, 4 and 7a Rutland Street— That the Sanitary Inspector having reported that he estimated the cost of reconditioning these premises, including the purchase thereof, and also the purchase of Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Cottage Place at approximately 613, the Town Clerk be instructed to negotiate terms for the purchase of the properties. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

3—Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1933—The Committee considered the Circular 1334 of the 22nd ult. from the Ministry of Health (a copy of which was sent to the members of the Council). RESOLVED, That the Sub-Committee be instructed to consider whether any of the tenants on St. Mark's Estate can afford to pay higher rents, and to require such tenants either to move into the Non-Subsidy houses now in course of erection, when completed, or to pay an economic rent for their present houses, as recommended by the Ministry of Health

4—Sale of Houses—(a) 43 Tennyson Road—The Town Clerk submitted offer from Mrs. Lippett to purchase this house for the sum of £450. RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health being obtained to the sale. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sale.

(b) Read, letter of the 10th instant from the Cheltenham District Trades Council that they understood that some of the houses of the Corporation were being sold to a syndicate, and urging the Council not to sell the houses except to persons for their own occupation. RESOLVED, That they

be informed that no houses have been sold to a syndicate, and that in view of Paragraph 21 of the above Circular from the Ministry of Health, the Committee consider that the houses erected under the Acts of 1919 and 1923, and the larger houses erected under the 1924 Act should be sold when possible as recommended by the Ministry of Health.

(c) RESOLVED, That the Housing Manager be instructed to circularise the applicants on the waiting list to ascertain whether any of them would like to consider the purchase of a house with a view to giving such applicants the first option to purchase houses as they become vacant.

5—Alstone Lawn Estate—(a) Mr. Rainger reported that Messrs. Copp Bros. Ltd, proposed to commence their work on the 19th instant. RESOLVED, That the Chairman (Alderman Pates) and Mr. Rainger be authorised to appoint a Clerk of Works on the terms now approved by the Committee, and that if possible to arrange for the Clerk of Works appointed to act also as Clerk of Works for the houses now being erected at St. Mark's instead of the part time Clerk of Works now carrying out the work.

(b) Slum Clearance—The Committee considered the recommendation of the Public Health Committee that further houses should be provided on this Estate. RESOLVED, That Mr. Rainger be instructed to submit layout plan for the development of the remainder of the land at the next meeting of the Committee.

6—Whaddon Avenue—Read, letter from a tenant of one of the houses in Whaddon Avenue asking the Committee to install electricity in the houses. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Electricity Committee.

7—Outbuildings—18 Kipling Road—RESOLVED, That the plan of the shelter to be erected at the rear of these premises be approved.

8-25, 25a, 27 and 29 Jersey Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported as to this property which he recommended should be purchased for reconditioning. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to negotiate terms for the purchase of the property.

H. T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

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STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 19th June, 1933. Present- The Mayor; Alderman Pates; Councillors Lt -Col. Biggs, Lipson, Thomas and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Clarence Road—RESOLVED, That the proposal of the Electricity Committee to suspend a lamp from two trees at the junction of Clarence Road and Evesham Road be approved under the special circumstances.

2—St. Paul's Street South—The Borough Surveyor submitted application for permission to construct a crossing adjoining three garages in St- Paul's Street South. RESOLVED, That the Committee consider that the crossing is too large and might be dangerous to the public, but that they are prepared to grant permission for a crossing of the width of two garage entrances.

3—Tenders for Coal—The Borough Surveyor submitted tenders for the supply of coal to the Corporation G.W.R. siding in each case. RESOLVED, (a) That the tender of Messrs. Webb Bros. Ltd., for the supply of 70 tons of house coal (West Cannock No. 1 Cobbles) at 29s 2d. per ton Summer rate, and 32s 8d. per ton for the remainder of the year be accepted.

(b) That the tender of Messrs. J. Williams & Co. Ltd., for the supply of 70 tons of Welsh Smokeless (Nixons Nay. Best Large) for Rollers, and 100 tons for Asphalt Plant at 33s 0d. per ton be accepted.

(c) That the tender of Messrs. W. D. Farrar for the supply of 130 tons of Large Anthracite (Cwmgwrach and Empire) at 3619d. per ton be accepted

(d) That the tender of Messrs. E. H. Sheppard & Son for the supply of 500 tons Rough small steam coal (Princess Royal High Delf) at 17s 10d per ton be accepted.

4—Streamer across High Street—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Town Association Football Club for permission to place a streamer across the High Street on the occasion of the Club's principal matches be granted subject to compliance with the usual conditions.

5--Public Works Conference—Read, circular of 7th inst., inviting the attendance of delegates to the Public Works, Roads and Transport Congress and Exhibition to be held in London from the 13th to 18th November next. RESOLVED, That the Mayor and Borough Surveyor be appointed to attend.

6—Post Office Direction Signs—RESOLVED, That the application of the Head Postmaster for permission to erect direction signs of the Daylight Reflecting type on lamp standards directing to the Sub-Post Offices at High Street, Keynsham Street and Prestbury Road be granted, subject to the approval of the Electricity Committee, and also subject to the signs being fixed and not swinging signs.

7—Projecting Sign—RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs Baker & Hyman Ltd., for permission to place a projecting sign on the fascia of 352 High Street be granted subject to the usual conditions, and to compliance with the regulations relating to Neon gas signs.

8—Damage to Stop Sign, Hales Road—Read, report of damage to the "Stop" sign in Hales Road on the 4th inst., by a motor car belonging to Mr. F. Taylor. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for making good the damage amounting to £2 10s. 7d.

9—Streamer across Colonnade—RESOLVED, That the application of the Floral Fete Committee for permission to place a streamer across the Colonnade on the occasion of the Floral Fete be granted for 2 days subject to the usual conditions

10—Grafton Road—Read, letter of 17th inst., from Mr. J. C. Mackay asking for the provision of a seat in Grafton Road at the Park Place end for the convenience of persons waiting for the local omnibuses, RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to provide a seat as requested.

11—Telephone Kiosks, Promenade—Read, letter of 27th ult., from the Post Office Telephones Department that in connection with the improvements being carried out at the General Post Office it was proposed to place an additional kiosk in a position either immediately adjacent to the existing kiosk or within about the same distance from the Post Office entrance, and also to replace the existing combined kiosk by one of the standard design, and asking for the approval of the Corporation to these proposals. RESOLVED, That the proposals be approved subject to kiosks being of similar design and construction as the existing kiosk, and that the Chairman and the Borough Surveyor be authorised to settle the sites for the kiosks.

12—One Way Traffic—Read, letter of 31st ult., from the Ministry of Transport that they raised no objection to the provision of illuminated signs being deferred until the report of the Committee on the illuminated road signs is available.

13—Roads and Bridges, etc,—Grants—The Town Clerk submitted circular 382 from the Ministry of Transport in regard to the grants which this year would only be available for the assistance of works which are urgently necessary in the interests of traffic and public safety. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Borough Surveyor.

14—Drainage of New Buildings—The Committee considered the resolution passed by the Public Health Committee recommending the Council to transfer the supervision of drainage and sanitary work of new buildings to the Sanitary Inspector. RESOLVED, That this Committee recommend the Council not to approve of this proposal.

J. H. TRITE, Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 22nd June, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, E. L. Ward and Yarnold ; Captain Leschallas, Brig.-Gen. McCalsnont, Major Shakspeare; Messrs. W. S. F. Harris, P. F. Kensett and A. Wiggett (Councillor E. L. Ward in the chair).

1—Plans of New Buildings—(a) The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings, namely:-

No of Plan.	Name.	Description.
3524	Irving, Madame	Cloak room and chair store, Little Theatre, Bath Road.
3526	Royal Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	Motor house and lethal chamber with new bridge over Chelt, rear of 1 St. George's Parade.
3530	Ford, C. R.	Detached house, Gordon Road. (Amended).
3533	Mark Williams & Co.	4 semi-detached houses and 1 detached house, Painswick Road.

3546	Marshall, A. E.	Detached house, corner of Old Bath Road and Charlton Lane. (Amended Plan as suggested by View Sub-Committee).
3547	Billings, A. C. & Sons	4 motor houses, rear of new houses, Evesham Road. (Amended).
3548	Sharpe & Fisher	Alterations, 101 Albion Street.
3549	Nicholls, V. T.	Alterations and additions to garage, Hannington, Leckhampton Road.
3550	Woolworth, F. W. & Co.	Internal alterations, 351a and 353 High Street,
3551	Barnham, Mrs.	Cycle and tool house, new house, Arle Road.
3552	Bliss, G.	New bay windows, Sandfield Villa, Arle Road,
3553	Golden, Miss	Addition, Redgrove, Golden Valley Road.
3554	Cairns, Mrs. J.	New bedrooms, Moray House Hotel, Parabola Road.
3555	W. Leonard	New entrance in Dunalley Street for motor house at 1 Swindon Road.
3556	Reason, C. H.	3 houses, Naunton Terrace.
3557	“	Detached house, off Naunton Terrace.
3558	Bendall & Sons	Extension of Mead Road.
3559	Cheltenham Corporation	Motor house, Field Lodge, College Road.
3560	Ford & Greville	2 semi-detached houses, Rowanfield Road.
3561	Corpus Christi College	Conversion of old bakery into 3 lock-up garages.
3562	Morris, S. C.	Conversion of stables into dwellinghouse, Thorncliffe, Lansdown Road.
3563	“	2 semi-detached houses, Lansdown Road.
3564	“	2 detached houses, Christchurch Road.
3565	Messrs. Hawkins and Paish	2 detached houses, Arle Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 3526, 3530, 3533, 3546, 3551, 3552, 3559, 3561, 3563 and 3565 be approved ; That Plan No. 3524 be approved as a temporary building under Section 27 of the Public Health Acts (Amendment) Act, 1907 subject to the owner entering into an undertaking (a) that the building shall be removed at any time on receiving three months notice from the Corporation, (b) That the Little Theatre shall not be used for evening performances on more than five occasions during any year except for any necessary rehearsals in connection with such performances, and (c) That in the event of the property being sold or let, the building shall be removed ; That Plans Nos. 3548, 3550, 3553 and 3562 be approved subject to the sanitary and drainage work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, and in the case of Plan No. 3562, subject also to at least one foot of soil being removed from that portion of the site formerly used as a stable ; That Plan No. 3555 be approved subject to the doors being made to open inwards, and to a proper entrance crossing over the footpath being constructed to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor That Plan No. 3560 be approved subject to the Owner entering into an Undertaking to dedicate the land in front of the improvement line for the widening of Rowanfield Road when required by the Corporation ; and That Plans Nos. 3547, 3549, 3554, 3556, 3557, 3558 and 3564 be not approved.

(b) The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. Skinner had now removed the shed erected by him at Capesthorpe, Keynsham Road in contravention of the Byelaws.

2—Town Planning Area—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans under the Town and Country Planning (General Interim Development) Order, 1933 :—

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
392	Hall, C. St. Clair	Layout, Treelands Estate, Leckhampton Road.
450	Box, J.	Bungalow, 13adgeworth Lane, Shurdington.
456	Henegan, Mrs.	Conversion of stabling into dwellinghouse, Newholme, The Reddings.
457	Middleton, R. V.	Detached house, Warden Hill Road.
458	Jones, C. W.	Garage, Lymore, Old Bath Road.
459	Dyer, W. J.	New lavatory, Church Street, Charlton. Kings.,
460	Tortonese, C. H.	Additions, Cranbourne, Ryeworth Road, Charlton Kings.
461	Hunter-Grandy, Mrs.	Additions, Highcroft, Oakley Road, Battledol.vn.
462	Millward, J. A.	Detached house, East End Road, Charlton Kings.
463	Instone, R. L.	Layout, Breckenbrough, Sydenham Road North.
464	Wheeler & Mansell	27 houses, Green Hyde site, Langley Lane, Winchcomb
465	Whitaker, H. L.	Pair of cottages, Southam,
466	Wilson, Amos & Son	House, Warden Hill Road.
467	Ivens & Thompson	Development, Rowanfield Road.
468	Morris, S. C. & Son	Development, Thorncliff, Lansdown Road.
469	Knight, F.	Pair of semi-detached houses, Badgeworth Lane, Shurdington.
470	Botton, A. A.	Bungalow, Badgeworth Lane, Shurdington.
471	Preen, Miss B.	Preliminary plan for conversion of cottage into 2 houses, Staverton,
472	Towers, W. C.	Preliminary plan for bungalow, Tewkesbury Road, Uckington.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 450, 456, 458, 459, 460, 461, 463 and 472 be approved ; That Plan No. 392 be provisionally approved subject to the road being laid out 40 feet wide, and to plans showing details of roads, sewers, etc., being approved by the Committee ; That Plans Nos. 457, 462, 466, 467, 469 and 470 be approved subject to the respective owners undertaking to dedicate the land for the improvement and widening of the respective roads adjoining the property to the Improvement line laid down in the Scheme, when required by the responsible Authority, and in the case of Plan No. 467 to plans of roads, drainage, etc., being approved by the Committee ; That Plan No. 471 be approved subject to the Owner entering into an Undertaking not to claim compensation if the removal of the building is required behind the building line; That Plan No. 464 be referred for the views of the Winchcomb Rural District Council thereon and that Plans Nos. 465 and 468 be disapproved.

3—Charlton Kings Recreation Ground—Read, letter of the 1st inst. from the Clerk to the Charlton Kings Urban District Council, asking the Committee to agree to the proposed road scheduled to cross the recreation ground being diverted to come down one of the hedges so that his Council might obtain the necessary grants from the National Playing Fields Association, RESOLVED, That he be

informed that the Committee are prepared to modify the line subject to the exact route being agreed upon,

4—Town and Country Planning Act, 1932—(a) The Borough Surveyor submitted memorandum in regard to the remodelling of the Scheme, together with preliminary plan of the zones. RESOLVED, That the Town Planning Assistant be instructed to proceed with the remodelling of the Scheme on the lines now suggested, and that he be authorised to order the necessary maps and register of owners.

(b) Built up Areas—The Committee further considered the report of the Borough Surveyor on the proposed inclusion of the built up areas of the Borough in the Scheme. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that he be instructed to prepare and submit fuller information as to his proposals for a Scheme to enable the Committee to consider the desirability of making a Scheme for the remainder of the Town.

5—Land, Old Bath Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted plan and estimate of the proposed layout of the land in Old Bath Road purchased from Mr. C. A. Smith, The layout provided for the construction of a temporary road (on the line of the proposed by-pass road) which would give a frontage for the development of the back land of 484 feet. The estimated cost of making the temporary road and laying sewers was £525. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to instruct the principal Estate Agents to place the land on offer for sale at the price now suggested by the Committee on the understanding that the Corporation will construct the road etc. shown on the plan when required by a purchaser.

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6—Anlaby Court—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. Billings had asked for permission to provide a wooden fence instead of iron railings as required by the Pittville Covenants on the land adjoining Anlaby Court. RESOLVED That he be informed that the Committee have no power to vary the covenants.

7—Preliminary Statement—The Town Clerk submitted letter from the Ministry of Health enclosing observations of the Ministry on the proposals contained in the Preliminary Statement and Map No. 2, together with draft replies and observations to be made thereon. RESOLVED, That these be approved and submitted to the Ministry, and that the necessary alterations be made in the draft scheme.

8—Tewkesbury Road—The **View Sub-Committee** reported that they met on the 12th inst. Present—Councillors Morris and E. L. Ward and Messrs. W. Wiggett and H. G. A. Knight. They recommended that the application of Mr. Towers for permission to erect a house at Uckington fronting Tewkesbury Road be granted subject to the plot having a minimum frontage of 75 feet, and a depth of not less than that of the adjacent plot, and to plans being submitted for approval. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

9—Plan No. 3484—The Town Clerk submitted two revised plans of elevation prepared by Messrs. T. Overbury and H. Stratton Davies for Mr. Oldacre's proposed house in Queen's Road, and read, letter from Mr. E. H. Earp accepting, on behalf of Mr. Oldacre, the revised plan of elevation No. 1.

RESOLVED, That the plans be now approved, and that the Ministry of Health be informed accordingly. RESOLVED, also, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to Messrs. Overbury and Stratton Davies for their assistance in securing an improved elevation.

10—Plan No. 441—The Town Clerk reported that the Ministry of Health had held a Local Inquiry on the 14th inst. into the appeal made by Mr. J. R. Birt against the refusal of the Council to grant permission for him to proceed with the development of his land in Bouncer's Lane.

11—**Proposed Executive Committee**—The Town Clerk reported that all the District Councils and County Council had now appointed their representatives to attend a conference to discuss the formation of the proposed Executive Committee. RESOLVED, That a meeting of the representatives be held on the 19th July to consider the matter.

12—Committee—Read, letter from the Clerk to the Northleach Rural District Council that his Council had appointed Mr. P. F. Kensett in place of Capt. Reiss, resigned, as one of their representatives on the Committee.

13—Drainage of New Buildings—The Committee considered the resolution of the Public Health Committee, recommending the Council to transfer the supervision of the drainage and sanitary work of new buildings to the Sanitary Inspector. RESOLVED, That this Committee recommend the Council not to approve of this proposal, but that in sending notice of approval of the plans as complying with the byelaws, an intimation should be given that if a sanitary Certificate is required particulars of the requirements of the Sanitary Inspector with regard to this should be ascertained before the drainage and other sanitary work is commenced.

14—Plan No 3517—The Town submitted correspondence with Messrs. Taylor, Simpson & Mosley and Messrs. Winterbotham Gurney & Co. in regard to the plan submitted by Mr. G. A. M. Hall for the erection of four houses on land adjoining Lisle House, Pittville, and reported that Messrs. Winterbotham Gurney & Co. as solicitors to the owners of Amberley House, for whose protection the covenants had been placed on the land, had intimated that their client would consent to the erection of a pair of semi-detached villas on the land subject to plans being approved by the Borough Surveyor. RESOLVED, That Mr. Hall be informed that the Committee will approve of the erection of a pair of houses subject to the plans and elevations being submitted to and approved by the Committee.

15—Elevations of Buildings—The Committee considered the reference back by the Council of the proposal to refer plans of elevation to the Advisory Committees. RESOLVED, That the Advisory Committees appointed by the Council be invited to inspect the plans submitted for approval prior to the meetings of the Committee, so that the Committee may have the benefit of any observations which they may desire to make thereon.

E. L. WARD,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 16th June, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Pates ; Councillors Lipson, Thomas, Waite and E. L. Ward Messrs. E. W. Dicks and J. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair).

1—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Report of the Entertainments Sub-Committee at their Meeting held on the 12th instant.

They recommended (inter alia) as follow; :— Summer Season—That 1s tickets be issued to the concerts to include admission to concert and tea. RESOLVED, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

2—**Floral Fete**—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of the Floral Fete Committee for the display of bunting be granted, and that the Entertainments Manager be authorised to have the bunting put up in the High Street and Montpellier.

(b) RESOLVED, That the offer of the Floral Fete Committee of a stand free of charge at the exhibition in connection with the Fete for the display of Mineral Waters and Spa Treatment, be accepted with thanks, and that the Entertainments Manager be instructed to arrange for the decoration and furnishing of the stall.

3—**Pittville Gardens**—RESOLVED, That the application of the Rector for the use of Pittville Gardens and Pump Room for a Parish Church Social on the 13th September be granted on the same terms as last year, namely £3 3s. 0d., plus the cost of any damage which may be done to the Gardens. RESOLVED, also, That the gardens be closed to the public on this day except to tennis players and residents on the Estate.

4—**Alstone Baths**—Read, letter from Mr. A. J. Nunn, Hon. Treasurer of the Grove Street Mission, applying for the use of these Baths on about three Sundays during the summer season for the purpose of adult baptism by immersion. RESOLVED, That the use of the Baths be granted subject to payment of any out of pocket expenses, and to the Mission arranging with the Superintendent for payment of the staff required,

5—**Spa Baths**—(a) **Medical Baths**—The Monthly Report of the Superintendent was submitted.

(b) **Mixed Bathing**—RESOLVED, That the mixed bathing at these Baths be extended and held on Monday and Wednesday afternoons and Friday evenings.

(c) **Signs**—RESOLVED, That the Electricity Committee be asked to approve of the erection of a sign directing to the Swimming Bath on the lamp standard outside the Baths, and also a sign directing to the Medical Baths on a lamp standard at the corner of Oriel and Bath Roads.

(d) **Medical Baths—Treatment for Poor Persons**—The Superintendent reported that he had received enquiries as to whether any reduction could be made for poor persons requiring treatment. RESOLVED, That he be authorised to give one free treatment for every four treatments given to poor persons provided the treatment required is prescribed by a medical practitioner, and that the

Superintendent be instructed to submit a list of the names and addresses of the poor persons receiving treatment each month.

6---Alstone and Montpellier Swimming Baths—RESOLVED, That these Baths be opened on Bank Holidays all day.

7—Meteorological Station—Read, report of the inspection of the Meteorological Station on the 12th ult., by an Inspector of the Air Ministry, when all the instruments were examined and found to be satisfactory.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 23rd June, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Pates ; Councillors P. T. Smith, H. W. Thomas and Waite ; Messrs. H. W. Bennett, E. W. Dicks and J. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair).

8—Montpellier Gardens—(a) The Borough Surveyor reported theft of golf balls by a boy at these Gardens. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the parents of the boy.

(b) Water Supply—The Borough Surveyor reported that with the additional hard courts, the water supply at these Gardens was inadequate and to provide an adequate supply for the whole of the gardens, it would be necessary to provide a new main at a cost of £160, but for the present, he recommended that a length of one inch pipe should be laid from the three inch main to the new hard courts at a cost of £18. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to have this done.

9—Spa Baths—(a) The Borough Surveyor submitted two tenders for waterproofing the balcony floors at the Spa Baths. RESOLVED, That the tender of the La Brea Asphalt Committee of £25 2s. 6d. be accepted.

(b) Chimney—The Committee considered the reference from the Public Health Committee of the complaints received of the smoke from the chimney of these Baths, together with estimate of the Borough Surveyor. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to obtain tenders for the installation of smoke consuming apparatus.

(c) Bank Holiday—RESOLVED, That this Bath be opened on August Bank Holiday 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., namely : For males only up to 10 a.m., and for mixed bathing thereafter.

10—Alstone Baths—Mixed Bathing—The Superintendent recommended that from the 3rd August to the 4th September when the schools and colleges would be in recess and there would be no galas, that both baths should be opened every weekday and Sunday mornings for mixed bathing, with the exception of Tuesday evenings from 6 p.m. (Polo Club practice), Thursday evenings from 5.30 p.m. (Club mixed bathing) and for men only on Saturdays. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted, and that a charge of 6d be made for adults and 3d. for children under 14.

RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit an estimate of the cost of providing an additional ladies' lavatory.

11—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Report of the Entertainments Sub-Committee at their Meeting held on the 19th instant. They recommended (inter alia) That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to expend a sum not exceeding £20 for the provision of vocalists for the first seven weeks of the summer concerts season. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

12—Town Hall—Tables—The Committee considered the tenders received for the supply of 50 tables at the Town Hall, RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. E. L. Ward Ltd. of 30s per table plus cost of angle fittings be accepted.

13—Pittville Mineral Water—The Entertainments Manager reported that he had been in communication with several firms in regard to the bottling and marketing of the Pittville Water, and submitted letter from Apollinaris Ltd. asking by what name the Council proposed that the water should be known. RESOLVED, That the Committee consider that " Cheltenham Pittville Water " would be a suitable name.

14—Winter Garden—The Entertainments Manager submitted application from Mr. Pat Collins to rent the Winter Garden building for the months of November and December at a rent of POO. RESOLVED, That the offer be not accepted.

15—Winter Dance Band—The Mayor and Town Clerk reported their interview with Mr. Peter Fielding, and that in the circumstances he was willing to agree to the cancellation of his contract with the Corporation. Read, letter of the 24th instant from Mr. Fielding confirming this, and expressing his appreciation of the way he had always been treated by the Corporation, and his regret at severing his connection, and hoping that on some future occasion he might again have the opportunity of serving the Corporation ; but he pointed out that the cancellation of the contract would involve a loss and expense to him as he had kept on his house at Cheltenham, and would have the cost of removal to Newcastle as well as the loss of the private connection he had built up. He did not wish to make any formal claim, but felt he could leave it to the Committee to deal fairly with him. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to pay Mr. Fielding the sum of £50 in respect of the cancellation of his contract. RESOLVED, also, That the Council desire to express their warm appreciation and thanks for the excellent services he has rendered during the past six years.

T. WILFRED WAITE, Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 26th June, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Moore ; Councillors Leigh James, Scott Langley, E. L. Ward and J. F. Ward (Alderman Moore in the chair).

1—Cheltenham and District Gas Special Order, 1933—The Town Clerk submitted notice of application intended to be made by the Gas Company for a Special Order. RESOLVED, That no objection be made thereto,

2—Change of Frequency—As instructed by the Council at their meeting on the 1st May, the Committee have considered the extra work which devolved on Mr. W. R. Poole (Mains Superintendent), and Mr. F. W. Godden (Assistant Mains Superintendent), in connection with the change-over. RESOLVED, That an honorarium of £60 be given to Mr. Poole and £40 to Mr. Godden.

3—Supply to Rural Areas—(a) Cleeve Hill—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that since the last meeting the County Council had agreed to the erection of the overhead line between Woodmancote Sub-Station and the Rising Sun Sub-station. He reported that he estimated the cost of laying the cable underground at £640 as compared with £373 for the overhead route. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to erect the line overhead.

(b) Shurdington Scheme—Read, letter of the 1st inst. from the Electricity Commission enclosing sanction to loans of £6,500 for mains (period 25 years), and £1,493 for plant etc. (period 20 years). The Commissioners had omitted from the sanction the amount provided for the extension to Bamfurlong in respect of which an agreement had not yet been reached.

4—Extension to Mains—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to make the extension to main referred to in his report at an estimated cost of £88 12s. 9d.

5--Signs on Lamp Standards—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of the Town Improvement and Spa Committee for permission to erect signs directing to the Swimming Baths and Medical Baths on lamp standards in Oriel Road and Bath Road respectively be granted.

(b) Read, application from the Postmaster for permission to erect signs on lamp standards directing to the Post Offices at High Street, Keynsham Street and Prestbury Road. The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the Prestbury Road Post Office was outside the Borough, and that in the case of the other two Post Offices, one lamp standard already had several signs affixed thereto, and that in the other case, the lamp standard was on the opposite side of the road and would necessitate the sign being erected over the carriageway. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to grant the application, and that it be suggested to the Postmaster that the signs would be of more service if erected on the respective Post Offices.

6—Superannuation—The Committee further considered application from the National Union of General and Municipal Workers for 16 employees to become contributors to the Superannuation Scheme. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to recommend the Council to accede to the application.

7—Gas Tests—Read, reports of Gas Tests made on the 1st, 6th, 10th, 16th, and 21st inst., which showed the Calorific Value on these dates to be 470.5, 476.0, 472.8, 470.0 and 472.5 B.Th.U. respectively, and the Pressure 5.2, 5.4, 5.2, 5.2, and 5.2 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE, Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 13th, June, 1933. Present—Alderman Pates ;
Councillors Hayward and Scott Langley (Councillor Dr. Hayward 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 12th June, 1933.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	202,000 gallons	344,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	321,000	1,241,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	54,000	61,000
Total	577,000	1,646,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth 12th June, 1933.	Contents	Depth 12th June, 1932	Contents
Hewletts		18,237,000 gallons		24,033,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	22ft. tins.	53,105,000	31ft. 10ins.	99,146,000 “
Leckhampton	8ft. 8ins.	1,080,000	12ft. 8ins.	1,620,000
Total Storage		72,422,000		124,799,000

Pumping commenced at Tewkesbury on the 12th inst.

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

3—Appeals--The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered, and the rates settled and adjusted.

4—River Severn Development Association—Read, circular inviting the attendance of members to the Annual Meeting of the Association to be held at Worcester on the 27th instant. RESOLVED, That Alderman Moore be asked to attend.

5—Revenue Account, 1932/33—The Borough Treasurer submitted Revenue Account for the year ended the 31st March last, which showed a balance from New Revenue Account of £22,830 16s. 11d., and after payment of interest and sinking fund and Income Tax, there was a surplus carried to Reserve of £4,509 13s. 4d.

6—Rossley Fields—Read, letter from Mr. C. C. Castle in regard to the fencing required to the field in the occupation of Mr. T. Ball, and the Borough Surveyor estimated the cost of carrying out the fencing at £45. RESOLVED, this be referred to Mr. Castle to see what can be arranged with the tenant.

7—Lower or Home Farm—Read, application from Messrs. Chandler Bros. for a reduction in the rent for the half year to March last. RESOLVED, on the recommendation of Mr. Castle, That the same abatement as allowed for Michaelmas rent be made for the rent for the last half year.

8—Tewkesbury Waterworks—Water Main—The Town Clerk submitted correspondence with Mr. Hone in regard to claims made on behalf of the Tewkesbury Hospital, Mr. Leatham and Mr. Steel. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be authorised to settle the claims as now settled by the Committee, and failing agreement, that the claims be referred to arbitration.

W. CURLING HAYWARD,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 20th June, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Moore and Pates; Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair)

1—Municipal Offices—Boiler—The Borough Surveyor submitted report from the Vulcan Boiler and General Insurance Co. Ltd. on the condition of the domestic boiler at the Municipal Offices. RESOLVED, That the consideration as to providing a new boiler be deferred until the estimates for next year are considered.

2—Diseases Amongst Animals—(a) Superintendent Wayman reported that since the last meeting Benhall Farm had been declared free from tuberculosis, and that the Borough was now free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

(b) Sheet Dipping Regulations—The Committee further considered the letter front the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries asking the Council to amend their regulations in regard to the movement of sheep, and the Town Clerk submitted revised Regulations made in the same form as the County Regulations. RESOLVED, That these be approved, and that the Common Seal be affixed thereto, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to publish notice of the Regulations.

3—Fire Brigade—The Captain reported that since the last meeting the Brigade had been called to a fire at the Dammann Asphalt Works, Tewkesbury Road on the 13th inst. Cause not apparent, Damage £500. Expenses £7 15s. 0d.

4—Hackney Carriage Licences—(a) Read, report of the annual inspection of the hackney carriages. All the vehicles submitted had been licenced for 12 months except one which was only recommended for renewal for 6 months, and 3 licencees had been warned that their taxis would not be recommended for renewal next year. RESOLVED, That the licences be renewed accordingly.

(b) The motor hackney carriage Inspector (Mr. F. Miles) reported as to one licencee who had not complied with his requests in regard to the examination of his taxi, and the vehicle had not,

therefore, been submitted for renewal. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to inform the Owner that proceedings will be taken against him if he is found plying for hire without a licence.

5—Cheltenham Guardians Committee—RESOLVED, That Councillor Scott Langley be appointed a member of the Cheltenham Guardians Committee in place of Councillor P. T. Smith, resigned.

6—Devil's Chimney—The Mayor reported that the **Sub-Committee** had inspected the Devil's Chimney and instructed the Borough Surveyor to obtain a further opinion as to what could be done to preserve this. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to enclose an area round the chimney with barbed wire fencing, and to put up a notice warning the public against entering the enclosure.

7—Three Counties Show—Read, letter of the 12th inst. from the Honorary Secretary that his Committee could not entertain acceptance of invitation unless either Hereford, Worcester or Gloucester were willing to give up their turn for having the Show.

8—Cheltenham District Traction Company—Read, letter of the 29th ult. from this Company, enclosing copy of their accounts for the year ended the 31st December last.

9—Parking Places—(a) Cambray—Read, letter of the 27th ult. from Mr. W. Ricketts complaining of the nuisance caused by the use of Cambray as a parking place. RESOLVED, That no action be taken thereon

(b) Royal Crescent—Read, letter of the 25th ult. from The National Citizens' Union enclosing resolution recommending that the Car Maintenance Club's site and its immediate surroundings should be considered by the Council before the Royal Crescent Garden was taken over. RESOLVED, That the Union be informed that the Committee have already considered this site.

10—Superannuation—(a) RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Section 6 of the Local Government and Other Officer's Superannuation Act, 1922, the services of the Borough Surveyor be extended for a period of four months from the 14th June, 1933, or to the date on which his successor takes up his duties, whichever shall be the earlier

(b) RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Street and Highway Committee, That the services of M. Daley, labourer, be extended up to the 31st December next.

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11—Noisy Vehicles etc.—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to Superintendent Wayman calling his attention to the excessive noise made by motor cycles, cars and lorries etc., and to ask him to take steps to prosecute offenders.

12—Borough Extension—The Town Clerk submitted the first General Review of County Districts received from the County Council. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make such representations as he considers necessary to the Ministry of Health for the protection of the Council.

13—Leckhampton Hill Estate—(a) Tramway Cottages—Read, letter from the tenant of No. 209 Leckhampton Road asking for the provision of a fence across his garden to prevent persons from stealing his produce etc. RESOLVED, That the matter be referred to the Mayor and Town Clerk.

(b) An application was received on behalf of Mr. Murray Lindner to purchase a small piece of land adjoining and at the back of his Works in Leckhampton Road containing approximately 455 square yards and also to take on a yearly tenancy the remainder of the land at the back of his Works. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to sell him the piece of land required at the price of 1s 6d. per square yard, subject to the exact site required and to the plan of the proposed building to be erected thereon being approved and also to a suitable gateway entrance being provided to the adjoining land occupied by Mr. A. Byard. RESOLVED, also, That the remainder of the land be let to Mr. Lindner on a yearly tenancy at a rent of £3, subject to the right of the Council to determine the tenancy of the whole or part at any time on three months' notice if required for building, roads or other municipal purpose.

J. H. TRYE.

Chairman.

ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 12th June, 1933. Present—Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, P. T. Smith, J. F. Ward and Yarnold ; Messrs. Castle, Clarkson and Yeend (Councillor J. F. Ward in the chair)

1—Allotment Inspection—The Gardens' Superintendent submitted report of his first inspection of the allotments, and reported that a number of allotments were in a bad state of cultivation. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the tenants of any of the allotments which are occupied, calling upon them to put the allotments in a proper state of cultivation, and that any of these allotments which are vacant be offered to the Unemployed Allotment Association.

2—Allotments Nos. 30 and 32 Rainbow Field—Read, further letter from the tenant of these allotments asking to be released from the tenancy of one half chain. RESOLVED, That this be not agreed to.

3—Allotment Arrears—The Town Clerk submitted particulars of tenants in arrear with their rent. RESOLVED, That unless the arrears are paid, or a substantial payment on account is made, the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings for recovery, and also to take possession of the allotments.

J. F. WARD, Chairman.

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PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 12th June, 1933. Present—Councillors Lt.-Col, Biggs, P. T. Smith, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor J. F. Ward in the chair).

1--Field Lodge—The Borough Surveyor reported that the shed at Orrisdale Allotments which had been used as a garage for the Gardens' Superintendent's car was now required for a store. RESOLVED, That a garage be erected at Field Lodge at a cost of £12.

2—Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—The Borough Surveyor submitted tenders for wrought iron railings to the eastern boundary of Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. W. Hayward & Sons of 5s 10d. per yard (being the lowest) be accepted.

3—Naunton Park Recreation Ground—School Sorts—RESOLVED, That the application of the Education Committee for the use of this Recreation Ground for the School Sports on the 5th July be granted as in previous years.

J. F. WARD,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 23rd June, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Thomas and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of the Superintendent for the period from 30th May to 23rd June, 1933. Interments 53 ; Grave Spaces sold 12 (First Position 1, Fourth Position 11) ; Memorials erected 14; New Inscriptions 9.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8803 to 8814 (both inclusive).

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following Designs be approved :—Cross, Bases and Kerbing to graves of Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, Rhona Blanche Williams, and Marion Allard, Elsie Kathleen Izzard, and Madalene Jane Webb ; Headpiece and Kerbing to grave of Jane R. Whytlaw ; Cross and Base to grave of Annie Teynton ; Kerbing and Posts to grave of Thomas Fingleton Denham ; Kerbing to grave of Kathleen Bristow Swinhoe.

4—Cemetery Clock—RESOLVED, That the offer of Mr. W. Howlett to overhaul, repair and clean and restore dial face in gilt etc., the clock at the Cemetery for the sum of £5 1s. 0d. be accepted.

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 8th June, 1933. Present—Councillors H. W. Thomas, Weech and Yarnold ; Rev. Barbara Thomas ; Dr. R. Davies ; and Messrs. F. Vernall and C. E. Walsh (Councillor Thomas in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report for April and May—Receipts £44 4s. 3d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 10,981 (last year 12,192) ; Lending Department 33,180 (last year 36,627) ; Junior Department 4,852 (last year 6,992). Total for the two months 49,013 (last year 55,811).

Binding and Replacements-545 volumes had been returned from the Binder, and 137 volumes had been replaced.

Defects in Roof—Repairs to the roof over the Chinese Porcelain Room had been carried out by Messrs. Griffiths Bros. at a cost of £14 10s. 0d.

Teachers' Reference Library-31 volumes had been added to the Teachers' Reference Library by the Education Committee, and the locked glass doors which formerly enclosed this collection had been removed.

2—Donations—Miss A. Andrews (1 vol.) ; Anonymous (3 vols.) ; Mr. G. Beard (1 vol.) ; Mrs. Bellhouse (16 vols.) : Messrs, The British Gas Association (1 vol.) ; Mr. B. M. Buckingham (1 vol.) ; Mr. Ed. J. Burrow (1 vol.) ; Cheltenham Esperanto Society (16 vols.); Miss A. Green (8 vols.); Mr. R. Heyworth (2 vols.) ; Col. M. J. King-Harman (1 vol.); Mr. H. Lewis, (1 vol.) ; The Incorporated Society of Musicians (1 vol.) ; Mr. T. G. Phillips, (1 vol,) ; Miss A. M. Roos (1 vol,) ; Mrs. O. Rose (9 vols.) ; The Stansfield Trust (1 vol.) ;

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

3—Books—RESOLVED, (a) That 211 volumes, published at £82 9s. 6d., be purchased for £47 0s. 9d

(b) That the sum of £50 be spent on Binding.

(c) That the sum of £20 be spent on Replacements.

4—Inter-availability of Library facilities—Read, letter from the City Librarian of Birmingham inquiring whether Cheltenham Library Committee would be willing to enter into an arrangement for reciprocal library facilities with towns which have concluded such an arrangement with the Birmingham Public Libraries. RESOLVED, That the Committee agree to this suggestion on the understanding that such interchange of tickets should not effect the existing arrangement with the Gloucestershire County Council.

5—Staff—The resignations of Miss D. E. Parry on her promotion to the staff of the Surrey County Libraries, and of Miss V. E. Griffin on her approaching marriage, were accepted. Arising therefrom the following promotions and appointment were made :—

Miss E. L. E. Mason from 45s to 50s per week.

Miss M. Nealon from 20s to 25s per week.

Miss S. Jeffery (transfer from Museum) from 12s 6d per week to 20s per week,

Miss S. Graham-Smith (Carob. School Certificate) appointed at 12s 6d per week.

6—Library Association Conference—RESOLVED, That the Librarian be authorised to attend this Conference at Harrogate from 18th-21st September.

7—Date of Next Meeting—RESOLVED, That the next meeting of this Committee take place on 13th July instead of 6th July.

H. W. THOMAS,

Chairman.

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RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 26th June, 1933, Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore ; Councillors Dr. W. Curling Hayward, Scott Langley, Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Proposals—The Committee considered the 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—Shropshire, Worcestershire and Staffordshire Power Company—Read, circular of the 7th instant from the Clerk to the County Council that agreement had now been reached in regard to the Valuer to make the "cumulo " valuation of this undertaking, and apportionment in accordance with the particulars laid down in the Seventh Series of Representations of the Central Valuation Committee, As nearly 100 authorities Were concerned it was felt that a formal agreement would be inconvenient, and it had therefore been decided to ask all Rating Authorities to pass resolutions in the form enclosed with the circular. It was of course understood that the cost of the valuation and apportionment and of the proportionate cost of appeals under headings (a) and (b) of item 4 of the Resolution will be borne by the County. RESOLVED, That this Council agree :-

1. That for the purposes of the Second Valuation List to be prepared under the Rating and Valuation Acts 1925-1932, the cumulo value of the Undertaking shall be ascertained by Harry Bewlay, of Birmingham, Rating Valuer, and a due apportionment of the cumulo value made between the separate rateable hereditaments comprised in the Undertaking within the respective rating areas.

2. That for the purposes of the Second Valuation List the net annual values relative to the separate rateable hereditaments forming part of the Undertaking, as apportioned by the Valuer, shall be inserted in the Valuation List, and the Council will use their utmost endeavour to support the values so inserted,

3. That in the event of a dispute or difference in respect of the Valuation or apportionments of the value amongst the separate rateable hereditaments, such dispute or difference shall be determined by arbitration and the provisions of the Arbitration Act 1889, or any statutory modification thereof shall apply accordingly and, in any such arbitration proceedings, not more than three expert witnesses shall be called on either side.

4. That in either of the following circumstances, viz :—

(a) where the Shropshire, Worcestershire and Staffordshire Electric Power Co. are the appellants against the figures approved of by the Valuer ; and

(b) in any other cases where approval is given to such a course by the Sub-Committee hereinafter referred to ; this Council will be prepared to pay the costs incurred in any Appeal, pro rata, according to such amount of the cumulo value as is apportioned to this Council's area, except in so far as the County Valuation Committee have undertaken to defray the cost of the valuation of this Undertaking, 5. To the appointment of a Sub-Committee as follows to have power to act on behalf of all the Authorities :—

1 Representative from each of the Counties of Monmouthshire, Shropshire, Staffordshire, Worcestershire, and the County Boroughs of Dudley and Smethwick.

1 Representative from the Counties of Oxfordshire and Warwickshire.

1 Representative from the Counties of Herefordshire, Breconshire and Radnorshire, and

1 Representative from the County of Gloucestershire and the City of Gloucester.

Together with the Clerk of the Herefordshire County Council as Secretary of the Sub-Committee.

6. That the Common Seal be affixed to the foregoing resolution.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 26th June, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy mayor; Alderman. Moore ; Councillors Scott Langley, Leigh James and E. L. Ward (The Deputy Mayor 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 £37,679. Leaving outstanding £65,919.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 26th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 30th September, 1933. Amount collected £9,014. Leaving outstanding £9,783.

3—Sanction to Loans—The Town Clerk reported the receipt of the following sanctions :—

Date, 1933.	Purpose.	Amount.	Period of Repayment
1st June	Mains for Overhead Line, Boddington, Staverton, Badgeworth, Shurdington and Leckhampton	£6,500	25 years.
"	Plant for Ditto	£1,493	20 "
7th June	Houses, Alstone Lawn Estate ...	£14,218 ..	60 "
"	Roads, " "	£1,274 . . .	20 "
"	Sewers, " "	£379	30 "

4—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on 26th inst. Present—The Deputy Mayor (in the chair) ; Alderman Moore and Councillor Leigh James.

The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

5—Loan to Dursley Rural District Council—An application from the Dursley Rural District Council for a loan of £1,562 for a period of 30 years with interest at 3 5/8 per cent for works in connection with their water supply was considered. RESOLVED, That the loan be made, to be advanced as to £900 thereof on the 30th instant, and the balance of £662 on 31st December next, and to be repayable by 60 equal half-yearly instalments.

6—Downing Memorial Fund—Read, letter of the 8th instant from the Education Secretary that by arrangement with the Trustees of this fund, the Board of Education had made an order transferring the administration of this fund to the Education Authority. RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to formal instructions to the Bank of England for the stock belonging to this fund in the name of the Council to be marked to Account B, and stock which may come into the hands of the Council to be marked to Account A, and for the other stock held by the Education Authority to be marked to Account C. RESOLVED, also, That the Common Seal be affixed to form of request for payment of dividends in respect of the fund allotted to the C Account.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 27th July, 1933.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on MONDAY, the 31st day of July, 1933, 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 Meeting.

2. Communications by the Mayor.

3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE • HOUSING COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY AND WATER COMMITTEES (Joint Meeting) MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE 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 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 Wednesday, 3rd July, 1933, at 3 p.m. Present :

The Mayor (Councillor Capt. John Henry Trye, C.B.E., R.N., J.P.) in the chair.

The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P.).

Aldermen Margrett, C.B.E., J.P., C.A., Moore, Pates, and Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P. ;
Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, O.B.E., Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, M.A., Dr. Hayward, M.B.E., M.B., B.S., Leigh James, Scott Langley, Lipson, M.A., Miller, Morris, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Weech, M.A., and Yarnold.

1.—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 7th June, 1933, 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.

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9—Proceedings of Committees—Resolved, That, the proceedings of the undermentioned Committees at their Meeting held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed

Public Health Meeting held June 12

Subject to an amendment moved by Councillor E. L. Ward and seconded by Councillor Yarnold : "
That Minute No. 9 in regard to the supervision of the drainage and sanitary work of new buildings be referred back."

Housing. Meeting held June 15

Street and Highway Meeting held June 19

Subject to an amendment moved by Alderman Clara Winterbotham : " That Minute No. 3 (c) in regard to tenders for coal be referred back."

Town Planning Meeting held June 2

(An amendment moved by Councillor Pruen and seconded by Councillor Lipson: " That Minute No. 15 in regard to the inspection of plans of elevation by the Advisory Committees of the Civic Society and Council for Preservation of Rural England be referred back " was withdrawn).

Town Improvement and Spa Meetings held June 16 and 13

(An amendment moved by Councillor Rev. de Courcy-Ireland and seconded by Councillor P. T. Smith: " That Minute No. 10 be amended and that the charge for mixed bathing at Alstone Baths be 4d. for adults and 2d. for children " was lost).

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held June 26

Water Meeting held June 13

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held June 20

Resolved, also, That the applications for the renewal of all the licences to deal in Game granted last year be granted for one year from the 1st instant. Resolved, also, That the applications for the renewal of all the licences granted under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, last year, be granted for one year from the 6th ultimo.

Allotments Meeting held June 12

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held June 12

Public Library Meeting held June 8

Burial Board Meeting held June 23

Rating Meeting held June 26

Subject to an amendment moved by Alderman Moore and seconded by Councillor Lipson : That Minute No. 2 be amended, and that the words " and the City of Gloucester," in Resolution No 5 be deleted.

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Finance Meeting held June 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, and such additional sums as may become payable during the month in respect of current Contracts upon the Certificate of the Architect or Officer under whom the work is carried out.

Resolved, also, That the Draft Consent Order authorising the issue of 3 per cent. stock for is £300,371 at a price not exceeding 93 per cent. be approved.

3—Education Committee-Resolved, That Mr. C. V. Hogg being a person acquainted with the needs of the various kinds of schools, be appointed a member of the Education Committee for a term of 3 years expiring on the 3rd July, 1936.

4—Sandford Park-Resolved, That the application of Bertram W. Mills for the use of Sandford Park for a circus on three clays in September, and for permission to place an advance wagon on the ground one week beforehand, and to erect king poles and stakes three days prior to opening, be granted at a rent of subject to the ground being left in a clean and tidy condition and any damage to the turf, fences and footpaths being made good.

J. H. TRYE, 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, 31st July, 1933.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 10th July, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Clara F. Winterbotham and Moore ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Rev. de Courcy Ireland, Morris, Pruen, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor Pruen in the chair).

1—Insanitary Property at Alpha Villa, Gloucester Place ; 62 Queen Street—The Committee having considered the representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses are satisfied that the said houses are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation in the respect mentioned in the said official representation, and that they are capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Sub-section 1 of Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1930, notices be given to the persons having control of the houses requiring them to execute the works to be specified in the notices which will in the opinion of the Committee render the houses fit for human habitation.

2—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles --The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-31 Hungerford Street ; 13a Russell Place ; 30 St. Paul's Road ; and 291--303 Old Bath Road (odd numbers)—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.

3—Nuisances from Drains etc. at (a) 11 St. Paul's Road ; 230 High Street ; 16 Gratton Street ; Outbuildings rear of 16 and 17 Gratton 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 premises 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) Belle Ewart and 1 and 2 Leckhampton View, New Street ; and 1 to 14 Station Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the drainage work at these premises had now been carried out by Messrs. Mark Williams & Co. Ltd, at a cost of £195 3s. 7d. plus 10s stamp—The apportionment made by the Borough Surveyor between the owners of the cost was submitted. RESOLVED, That the same be approved, and that an Order be made under the Common Seal declaring the said expenses to be Private Improvement Expenses, and that notices of the apportionment be served on the Owners, and demands for repayment of the sum apportioned against them.

4—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) Engineers Arms, St. Paul's Road ; 119 ½ High Street—The Committee further considered the question of making a Closing Order in respect of parts of these premises and the Town Clerk sub-mitted letters from The Original Brewery Co. and The Maypole Dairy Co. Ltd., consenting to Closing Orders being made. RESOLVED, That the Council, being satisfied that the above mentioned parts of the said premises, which are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation, and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and no undertakings having been given by the Owners to carry out the work required to render the premises fit for human habitation or as to the future user of the said parts of the said buildings, Orders be now made under the Common Seal in pursuance of Section 20 of the Housing Act, 1930, prohibiting the use of the said rooms for human habitation.

(b) Arle Mill Cottages—The Committee considered official representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses and also report of Rota Sub-Committee thereon. RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the above mentioned dwellinghouses are unfit for human habitation and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, notices be given under Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, to the Owners, to the persons having control of the houses, and Mortgagees, if any, that the condition of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or the future user of the houses will be considered at a meeting of this Committee to be held on the 11th September next.

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(c) 2 Wood's Court, Sherborne Street ; 21 Bath Road ; and 6 Ambrose Place—The Committee further considered the question of making Demolition Orders in respect of these premises. Mr. J. Bendall the Owner of 2 Woods ' Court attended and consented to an Order being made, and Messrs. G. D. Boulton and F. Burnett, the respective Owners of 21 Bath Road and 6 Ambrose Place attended and objected to Orders being made RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the dwelling houses,

which are occupied or are of a type, suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes are unfit for human habitation, and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and no undertakings having been given by the Owners with respect to the carrying out of work or the future user of the houses, Demolition Orders be now made by the Council in pursuance of Sub-Section (3) of Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, requiring that the houses shall be vacated within 28 days from the date on which the Orders become operative, and that the premises shall be demolished within six weeks after the expiration of the above mentioned period, or if the houses are not vacated by that date, within six weeks after the date on which they are vacated.

(d) 21 Marle Hill Parade—RESOLVED, That consideration of the question of making a Closing Order in respect of these premises be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

(e) 44 Burton Street ; 3 Albert Street, St. Peters ; 5, 6 and 7 Worcester Street ; 2a, 3a, 4 and 7a Rutland Street; King's Head Gardens—RESOLVED, That consideration of the question of making Demolition Orders in respect of these premises be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee, and that meanwhile the Rota Sub-Committee be asked to inspect No. 44 Burton Street ; also, That the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to supply specification for the works necessary for rendering No. 3 Albert Street and 5, 6 and 7 Worcester Street fit for habitation as requested by the Owners who attended or were represented at the meeting.

(f) 27 Sherborne Street—RESOLVED, That the undertaking given by the owner to carry out within three months the works necessary to render the premises fit for human habitation be accepted.

(g) 25, 25a, 27 and 29 Jersey Street—Read, letter from Mr. R. V. Copeland undertaking to carry out the necessary works to render Nos. 27 and 29 Jersey Street fit for human habitation, and also for converting Nos. 25 and 25a into one house to the satisfaction of the Council. RESOLVED, That this undertaking be accepted.

(h) Studio at rear of 19 Bath Road—Mr. C. D. Boulton attended and stated that he had no intention of letting these premises for human habitation. RESOLVED, That the making of a demolition order be not proceeded with.

(i) Repton, Hewlett Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the owner of these premises had now carried out the necessary work to render the basement of these premises fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That the making of a closing order be not proceeded with.

(j) 4, 5 and 6 Rose and Crown Passage ; and 2 and 3 Grafton Passage—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to defer for a period of six months the serving of notices requiring the tenants of these houses to quit the premises in respect of which Demolition Orders were made on the 1st February, 1932.

(k) 2 Brookbank Cottages, Market Street ; 35 Tewkesbury Road : 6 Rutland Street, 28 Rutland Street ; and Rhodville, Moorend Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Demolition Orders in respect of these premises had not been complied with, and he submitted tenders for the demolition thereof. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. Mark Williams & Co. of £10 for 35 Tewkesbury Road, 7 each for 6 and 28 Rutland Street, and 4 for Rhodville, Moorend Street (being the lowest) be accepted.

5—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 1 qr. 16 lbs. Mutton ; 1 cwt. 22 lbs. Beef ; 1 cwt. 23 lbs. Pork ; 19 lbs. Fowls.

6—Gas Liquor—The Borough Surveyor submitted the half-yearly report, dated 13th ult. from Mr. F. R. O'Shaughnessy of his analyses of samples from the sewage purification works the results of which continued to be satisfactory. The figures showed that the sewage may still be classed as a weak sewage ; the beds are in a healthy condition ; the final effluent easily complies with the Royal Commission standard, is well aerated and of good quality.

7—Dust Nuisance—Dammann Asphalt Works—The Committee further considered the question of the nuisance caused by the emission of dust from these works. The nuisance from these premises was first reported to the Committee in June, 1932, and the Committee considered that ample time had been given to the Company to provide means of preventing the nuisance, and it was RESOLVED, That proceedings be taken against the Company unless the nuisance is abated by the 31st inst., and that the Company be so informed.

8—Drainage of New Buildings--The Committee considered the reference back by the Council of the recommendation of the Committee to transfer the supervision of the drainage and sanitary work of all new buildings to the Sanitary Inspector. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned until the September meeting of the Committee.

9—Public Convenience—L.M.S. Station—The Committee further considered the purchase of a site at the L.M.S. Station for a public convenience. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for the present.

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10—Flooding—(a) Read, memorial of 27th ult, from 11 residents in St. Luke's Road, College Road, Bath Road and Mitre Street, stating that the sewage backed up through the gullies into their basements on the 26th ult. The Town Clerk reported that he had informed the memorialists that the Corporation proposed to proceed with the flooding prevention scheme in the College Road district in the Autumn which, it was anticipated, would effectively obviate any further need of complaint. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to advertise for tenders for carrying out the work.

(b) 100 Promenade—Read, letter of 6th inst. from Messrs. Cornelius & Boulter that the basement of these premises was flooded on the occasion of the storm on the 26th ult. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to report thereon.

11—Drainage, Hillsborough, Kings Road—Read, letter of 6th inst. from the owner of this house, claiming payment of £65 15s 0d. for the cost of relaying the drains of this house, which he alleged, was due to the surcharging of the sewer. RESOLVED, That he be informed that the Council are not under any legal liability in respect of this, and are therefore unable to admit his claim.

ARTHUR S. F. PRUEN,

Chairman.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 13th July, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col, Biggs, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Lipson, Morris, P. T. Smith, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Pates in the chair),

1—Sale of Houses-4 Byron Road and 115 Tennyson Road—The Town Clerk submitted offers from Mr. Minett (tenant of 4 Byron Road) and Mr. C. H. Brasher to purchase these houses at the prices of £370 and £450 respectively. RESOLVED, That these offers be accepted subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health being obtained, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyances. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sales.

2—**Selection of Tenants and Repairs Sub-Committee**—Read, report of the Sub-Committee at their meeting held on the 11th instant. They recommended (inter alia) that Mr. Tye of 7 Hudson Street be appointed caretaker of the St. Paul's Estate for a trial period of two months at a wage of 10s per week clear of deductions for Health and Unemployment Insurance contributions.

RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

3—**Garden Prize Scheme**—Read, report of the **Sub-Committee** on their inspection of the various gardens on the 6th inst., and the awards made. RESOLVED, That this be approved. RESOLVED, also, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the tenants of the houses whose gardens are reported to be in an untidy condition.

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4—St, Mark's Estate—The Sub-Committee reported that they had considered the tenants on St. Mark's Estate, and recommended that a letter in the form now submitted, be sent to the tenants requiring them to transfer into One of the new non-subsidy houses or to pay an increased rent for their present houses, or to purchase their houses RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted, and that on the recommendation of the Borough Treasurer the rent of the new non-subsidy houses be fixed at 11s 4d. plus rates, etc., making a total of 15s 6d- per week, and that the tenants who prefer to pay an increased rent for their present houses be charged a similar rent.

5—Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1933—Read, letter of 7th inst. from the Cheltenham and Gloucester Building Society, that the Society had agreed to make advances under the above Act if it was desired to put a scheme into operation. Mr. Harry Lewis attended the meeting of the Committee. RESOLVED, That the Building Society be informed that the Council are prepared to co-operate with them in any scheme which they may put forward for the erection of houses intended to be let to persons of the working classes as provided in the Act.

6—Subletting, Lodgers, etc.—The Housing Manager submitted report of tenants who had sublet or taken in lodgers. RESOLVED, That this be referred for consideration by the Sub-Committee.

7-2a, 3a and 4 Rutland Street ; and 1, 2 and 3 Pear Tree Cottages—(a) RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to purchase the properties for the sum of £100, and to contribute the sum of £3 towards vendor's solicitors' costs.

(b) 7a Rutland Street—Read, letter from Miss M. A. Flory agreeing to accept the sum of £30 for these premises free of all costs, RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the conveyance.

8—Housing Contracts—Supply of Bricks—Mr. Rainger submitted correspondence between Messrs, Webb Bros., and Messrs. Cutler & Sysum and himself in regard to the supply of bricks for the houses in course of erection on the St. Mark's Estate. Read, also, letter from the Cheltenham Branch of the National Union of General and Municipal Workers in regard thereto. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to inform Messrs. Webb Bros. to point out that if their obligations under the contract with Messrs. Cutler & Sysum are not fulfilled, the Committee will take this into consideration in any future contracts which the Corporation may have for building work.

9—Creeper etc. on Houses—RESOLVED, That the Housing Manager be instructed to require tenants who have creeper and other plants growing on the walls of their houses to keep these cut back and clear of gutters and spoutings etc.

10—Alstone Lawn Estate—New Houses—It was reported that Messrs. Copp Bros. were prepared to erect an additional 29 houses (15 two bedroom and 14 three bedroom) at the same price per house as the present contract for the 49 houses (25 two-bedroom and 24 three-bedroom), and to the same specification and subject to the contract being entered into before 5th September as the prices of materials were tending to rise, and the quotations which they had obtained were subject to acceptance within that period. Their contract for the 49 houses amounted to £13 663, so that their offer for the erection of the 29 houses amounted to £8,086 5s. 3d. RESOLVED, That subject to contract and bond to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into and to sanction to loan being obtained, the tender of Messrs. Copp Bros. Ltd. of £8,086 5s. 3d. be accepted. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £8,507 for the cost of the houses, including clerk of works, architects' fees and £5 per house for contingencies. RESOLVED, also. That application be made to the Ministry of Health for approval of the houses for the purpose of Subsidy under the Housing Act, 1930. RESOLVED, also, That the Council hereby undertake that the conditions set out in Section 27 of the Housing Act, 1930, will be complied with in regard to the houses. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £764 for the cost of the construction of the roads and sewers. RESOLVED, also, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give notice to the tenants of the allotments which will be required for the erection of the houses, and that Mr. C. C. Castle be appointed to settle the claims for compensation of the tenants for loss of crops etc.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 17th July, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col, Biggs, Lipson and Thomas (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Private Improvement Works—Argyll Road ; Eldorado Road; and Victoria Place, Bath Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted specification, plans and estimates of the works required to be done to these roads. RESOLVED, That the same be approved, and that notices be given under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises fronting, adjoining or abutting upon the said roads required 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 the 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 be recovered in the manner provided by the Act, and the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889.

2—Roseville Cottage —RESOLVED, That the Highways Superintendent be allowed to give up occupation of Roseville Cottage if he so desires, and that in this case his present salary of £375 plus house, be fixed at £400.

3—Bath Road—School Sign—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from Miss E. A. Jewell for the erection of a " School " sign near 83 Bath Road. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for view.

4—Trees—Tryes Road and London Road—Read, applications for the removal of trees in these roads. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for view,

5—Unemployed Service Club—RESOLVED, That the application of the Unemployed Service Club for the loan of 29 tools set out in the list submitted be granted.

6—Borough Surveyor's Department—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from Mr. F. A. Jenkins, chief clerk in his department, for an increase in salary. RESOLVED, That his salary be increased to £275 per annum.

7—Omnibus Stopping Places—High Street—Read, application from Messrs. J. Lance & Co. Ltd., asking that the stopping place opposite their premises be moved a short distance towards Pittville Street to obviate the inconvenience of waiting passengers crowding into their entrances in wet weather. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to accede to the request as this will cause congestion of traffic at the junction with Pittville Street.

8—Royal Crescent—Read, letter of 11th inst. from the Secretary of the Cheltenham Labour Hall and Institute in regard to the congestion of traffic at the junctions of Crescent Place, Crescent Parade with Crescent Terrace. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for view.

9—National Safety First Association—Read, circular from this Association in regard to the proceedings of the recent National Safety Congress held in London. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be authorised to purchase two copies of the proceedings.

10—Air Mail Service—Read, letter from the Head Postmaster, asking for the consent of the Council to the erection of a Special Air Mail Posting Box on the edge of the pavement immediately outside the General Post Office. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for view.

11—Tenders for Coal—The Committee further considered the acceptance of the tender of Mr. W. D. Farrar for the supply of anthracite, which was referred back at the last meeting of the Council, together with letter from the Trustee. RESOLVED, That Mr. Farrar's tender for the supply of 130 tons of Large Anthracite (Cwmgwrach and Empire) at 36s 9d. per ton be accepted

12—Naunton Terrace—Read, letter of 10th inst. from Mr. L. W. Barnard on behalf of Mr. C. H. Reason, that Mr. Reason understood that when he gave up the land for the widening of Naunton Terrace no further expense for making up the road would fall on him. RESOLVED, That it be pointed out to Mr. Barnard that Naunton Terrace has never been taken over by the Corporation and the Council would not therefore be justified in relieving the adjoining owners of the liability to make up the road, but with regard to the strip of land given up for the widening of the road, the Council be recommended that when the owners are called upon to make up the road, the Council should contribute the extra cost involved in making up the added strip of land.

13—Traffic Signs—The Town Clerk submitted the Report of the Departmental Committee on Traffic Signs.

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14—One-Way Traffic Order—Read, letter of 13th inst. from the Ministry of Transport enclosing copies of the Borough of Cheltenham (Traffic Regulations) Amendment Order, 1933, which continued for an indefinite period the one-way traffic order. Now that the Report of the Departmental Committee on Traffic Signs was available, the Ministry asked to receive the Council's proposals in regard to permanently illuminated signs. RESOLVED, That the Ministry be informed that the present signs can be adapted to comply with the Report of the Departmental Committee and so avoid expense of providing new signs, and that if the Ministry approve this, the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the signs altered accordingly.

15—Promenade—The Committee considered application from the Town Improvement and Spa Committee to place a notice board on a tree in the Promenade near the Queen's Hotel, drawing attention to the facilities provided in Montpellier Gardens. RESOLVED, That the Town Improvement and Spa Committee be asked to submit design of the proposed board.

16—Street Obstructions—Read, letter of 9th inst. from Mr. George Bradfield in regard to various alleged street obstructions. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the General Purposes Committee as the complaints mainly refer to matters under the supervision of the Police.

J. H. TRYE, Chairman.

STREET & HIGHWAY AND WATER COMMITTEES. (Joint Meeting).

At a Joint Meeting of the Street and Highway and Water Committees held on Thursday, 6th July, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Moore, Margrett, Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Dr. Hayward, Scott Langley, Lipson, Morris, Thomas and Yarnold, together with Councillors Pruen and E. L. Ward (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Borough Engineer, Surveyor and Water Engineer—The Sub-Committee reported that 73 applications were received for this appointment, and that they had selected the following applicants for interview by the Joint Committee :—

Auty, N.—City Engineer and Surveyor, Lichfield.

Finch, R. M.—Deputy City Engineer, Bristol.

Jack, H. R.—Deputy Surveyor and Engineer, Hastings.

Jenkins, I. C.—Engineering Assistant, Cheltenham.

Marsland, G. G.—Engineer, Surveyor and Architect, Woking,

Overfield, H. V.—City Engineer, Salisbury.

Owens, J.—Deputy City Engineer, Bath.

RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to appoint Mr. Gilbert Gould Marsland, B.Sc., A.M.I.C.E., M.I.M. & Cy. E., aged 37, at a commencing salary of £800 per annum, rising by biennial increments of £50 to a maximum of £1,000 per annum, subject to the terms and conditions advertised, the appointment to be subject to the provisions of the Local Government and other Officers Superannuation Act, 1922, and to be determinable by either party on three months' notice.

RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Transport for approval of the appointment for the purposes of grant under Section 17 (2) of the Ministry of Transport Act. 1919.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

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MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 17th July, 1933. Present—Alderman Clara Winterbotham ; Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James, Lipson, J. F. Ward, Weech and Yarnold ; Mesdames E. Booy, L. Grist, and E. C. Gurney (Councillor Leigh James in the chair).

1—Cheltenham Infant Welfare Association—Quarterly Report—Read, Report for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1933.

The attendances at the Centres had been as follows :—

	Infants.	Toddlers.
At Baker Street (11 Meetings)	31.5	29
At Clare Street (11 Meetings)	16.3	14
At Highbury (10 Meetings)	41	43
At St. Mark's (11 Meetings)	30	19.7

2—Health Visitors—Quarterly Report—The following is a summary of the work during the Quarter ended 30th June, 1933 :—

No. of Children on Register		2,416
“ Children Visited (1 year and under) ...		616
“ (over 1 year)		643
Un-notified Births discovered	..	5
„ „ Still Births discovered	„.	1
“ Home Visits paid by Health Visitors...		1,935
“ First Visits paid by Health Visitors	150
“ Attendances of Health Visitors at Centres		61
“ Children remitted to Hospital.		5
“ Ante-natal cases visited ...		24
“ Chicken Pox cases visited ...		2
“ Whooping Cough cases visited		8
“ Measles cases visited		1
“ Mumps cases visited	..	2
“ Ophthalmia Neonatorum cases visited		1

Grants of Milk

Carried over from previous quarter	84
New Orders ...	52
Orders discontinued during quarter	47
“ continuing to coming quarter	89

Children Act :	Health Visitors.	School Nurses.
No. of Children on Register during the Quarter	47	8
“ visits (under Children Act) paid ...	51	11

3—Midwives Acts—(a) The Medical Officer of Health reported that notices of intention to practice had been received from Frances Mary Evans of the Infirmary, Swindon Road ; and Hannah Thomas of the Victoria Home.

(b) Medical Assistance—The Medical Officer of Health reported that 60 applications had been received from Midwives for medical help during the period for the 1st April to 30th June, 1933, and

that the total amount of doctors' fees paid for this period was £17 17s. 0d., of which £7 17s. 6d was rechargeable to patients.

(c) The Medical Officer of Health reported that the total amount of doctors' fees paid during the year ended 31st March last was £118 10s. 0d., of which £38 9s. 6d. was rechargeable to patients.

(d) The Medical Officer of Health reported that the following special notifications had been received from Midwives during the quarter ended 31st March, 1933: Still-births ; Deaths of infants 2; Artificial feeding being necessary 2; Liability to be a source of Infection 1.

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4—Puerperal Pyrexia and Fever Regulations—The Medical Officer of Health submitted 3 accounts for the provision of special nurses in 3 notified cases of Puerperal Pyrexia. RESOLVED, That the accounts be passed for payment.

5—Dentistry—(a) The Medical Officer of Health reported that 9 infants and 12 mothers had attended the School Dentist in accordance with the arrangement made with the Education Committee.

(b) The attendances during the year were 38 mothers and 47 infants. The proportion of the cost of the dental service payable by this Committee amounted to £30 13s. 6d.

6—Nursing Homes Registration Act, 1927—The Medical Officer of Health submitted application from Miss L. E. Bayliss for her premises at Fairleigh, Shurdington Road to be registered as a Nursing Home under the Act, and recommended that the application should be granted for 8 medical patients. RESOLVED, That the premises be registered.

7—Ante-Natal Opinions—The Medical Officer of Health submitted two accounts for fees for ante-natal opinions which were passed for payment.

8—Prevention of Deafness—The Town Clerk submitted circular of 22nd May last from the Ministry of Health drawing the attention of the Council to the report made by the late Dr. Eichholz entitled " A Study of the Deaf." The Ministry endorsed the suggestion made in the report that Maternity and Child Welfare Authorities should give close attention to the early and continuous treatment of infants suffering from ear defects, with a view to preventing the deafness and deaf-mutism which was otherwise likely to ensue, and drew attention to the measures recommended in the report. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Medical Officer of Health for attention.

9—Appointment of Health Visitors—The Town Clerk submitted circular of 13th May last from the Ministry of Health enclosing copy of the Local Government (Qualifications of Medical Officers and Health Visitors) Regulations, 1933.

LEIGH JAMES,

Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 19th July, 1933, Present—Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Morris, E. L. Ward and Yarnold ; Captain Leschallas and Mr. Kensett (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,
3507	Hall, G. A. M.	Two semi-detached houses with garages, Pittville (Amended).
3549	Nicholls, V. T.	Alterations and additions, Hannington, Leckhampton Road (Amended).
3557	Reason, C. H.	Detached house, Land off Naunton Terrace.
3558	Bendall & Sons	Extension of Mead Road and 18 semi-detached houses.
3567	Dwyer, E.	Motor house extension, Dunholme, The Park.
3568	Bishop, Mrs.	Conservatory, rear of Mongreiff, All Saints' Road,
3569	Nazareth House Council	Motor house, Nazareth House, 97 Bath Road.
3570	Gurney, H.	Motor house, Athlone, Mead Road,
3571	Bowd, W. H.	Conversion into 2 houses, Evesham House, Evesham Road.
3572	Such, C.	Detached house, Arle Road.
3573	Warren, J.	Steel framed open timber shed, New Street.
3574	Hawkins, G. A.	Motor house, Battledown Approach.
3575	Horsman, J. H.	Extension of garage, rear of 3 and 5 Roman Road.
3576	Hipkiss, F. W.	Angle Window, 43 Milton Road.
3577	Long, F. M.	Extension of sitting room, 16 Francis Street.
3578	Morris, S. C.	2 detached houses, Thorncliffe Estate, Lansdown Road
3579	Seacome, R. O.	Motor house, Wingfield, Western Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans No. 3549, 3558, 3567, 3568, 3569, 3572, 3573, 3576 and 3577 be approved ; That Plan No. 3557 be approved subject to an Undertaking being entered into to lay out a turning space with a carriageway having a diameter of not less than 30 ft. at the end of Naunton Terrace ; That Plans Nos. 3571 and 3575 be approved subject to the sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, and in the case of Plan No. 3571, subject also to the new work being carried out in character with the existing building ; That Plan No, 3574 be approved subject to a proper entrance crossing over the footpath being constructed to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor ; That Plan No 3578 be approved subject to the approach road being constructed 16 feet wide ; That Plan No. 3579 be approved subject to the Owner entering into an undertaking to remove the building at his own cost and without compensation if and when required by the Corporation ; and that Plans Nos. 3507 and 3570 be not approved.

2—Town Planning Area--The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans under the Town and Country Planning (General Interim Development) Order, 1933 :----

No of Plan.	Name.	Description.
464	Wheeler & Mansell	27 houses, Green Hyde site, Winchcomb.
473	Mark Williams & Co. Ltd.	14 cottages, Horsfair Street, Charlton Kings.
474	Bradley, E. H. & Son	Development, Cirencester Road, Charlton Kings.
475	Thomas, R.	Bungalow, near Dowdeswell Reservoir.
476	Williams, Capt. A.	Bungalow, Warden Hill Road.
477	Simmons, Miss	Garage, Dormons, Mill Lane, Prestbury.
478	Hall, G. A. M.	5 houses, Prestbury Road, Prestbury.
479	Allen, Miss	Bungalow, Kidnapper's Lane, Leckhampton.
480	Noyes, J. W.	Bungalow, Kidnapper's Lane, Leckhampton.
481	Bolton, A. A.	Bungalow, Badgeworth Lane, Shurdington.
482	Rayner, S.	Bungalow, Badgeworth Lane, Shurdington.
483	Bolton, A. A.	Detached house, Badgeworth Lane, Shurdington.
484	Bliss, H. F.	Bungalow, Badgeworth Lane, Shurdington.
485	Towers, W. C.	Bungalow, Tewkesbury Road, Uckington.
486	Green, P. R.	Bungalow, Warden Hill Road.
487	Hall, Mr.	Preliminary sketch plan for development near Lansdown Inn, Gloucester Road.

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RESOLVED, That Plan No. 473 be approved subject to the front fence being set back to the improvement line and the houses being set back 17 feet behind the improvement line ; That Plans Nos 476, 478, 481, 482, 483 and 486 be approved subject to each owner entering into an undertaking to dedicate the land between the boundary of the road and the improvement line prescribed in the Town Planning Scheme when required by the Road Authority, also in the case of Plan No. 476 that no part of the building shall project over the building line and that provision be made for a satisfactory rounding off of the corner in the event of development along the road through the back land, also in the case of Plans Nos. 481 and 483 that no part of the building shall be erected nearer the road than 40 feet and in the case of Plan No. 486 that hand made sand faced tiles are used ; That Plan No. 477 be approved subject to the owner entering into an undertaking to remove the building at her own cost and without compensation if and when required by the Town Planning Authority ; That Plans Nos. 479, 480 and 484 be approved subject to brown hand made sand faced tiles being used on the roofs ; That Plan No. 485 be approved subject to the building being set back behind the building line prescribed by the County Council, also that the faced bricks are omitted from the quoins, and that these be finished off as the remainder of the walls ; That Plan No. 487 be provisionally approved subject to the actual layout and detail plans being approved by the Council ; and that Plans Nos. 464, 474 and 475 be not approved.

3—Appeal by Mr. J. R. Birt—The Town Clerk submitted letter of 12th inst. from the Ministry of Health enclosing instrument of the Minister of Health, dismissing the appeal made Mr. J. R. Birt against the refusal of the Council to grant permission for the development of his land in Bouncer's Lane.

E. L. WARD, Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 14th July, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Pates ; Councillors Lipson, Pruen, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward and Weech ; Messrs. E. W. Dicks and J. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair).

1—Alstone Baths—(a) The Town Clerk submitted application from The Cheltenham Badminton Club for the use of Alstone Baths for Badminton as in former years. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to grant the use of the Baths on the same terms as last year, subject to the usual agreement being entered into.

(b) The Borough Surveyor submitted plan and estimate for the provision of three ladies conveniences, RESOLVED, That he be instructed to have these provided at a cost of approximately £42.

2—Montpellier Gardens—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from Mr. G. H. Powell for the removal of a large chestnut tree in the Shrubbery at these gardens opposite Willesden, and for thinning out of several lime trees. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that Councillors Thomas and E. L. Ward be asked to inspect the trees.

3—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Report of the Entertainments Sub Committee at their Meeting held on the 3rd instant.

They recommended (inter alia) as follows :—

(a) Morning Broadcasts—That on the occasion of the Saturday morning broadcasts in the Town Hall, no charge be made for admission to the Town Hall as during the broadcasts Mr. Horace Teague's quartet will be unable to play.

(b) Promenade—That the Entertainments Manager be instructed to continue placing deck chairs in the Promenade on suitable days at a charge of 1d. per chair. RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

4—Town Hall—(a) Read, letter from the Post Office Telephones Department in reference to the request for the lighting of the public telephone cabinet in the Town Hall, and stating that the Department were prepared to provide the light and fitting if the Corporation would pay the cost of the electricity. RESOLVED, That this be approved if it can be arranged for the light to be on only while it is in use. (b) Read, letter of the 13th inst. from the Cheltenham Swimming Club, thanking the Council for the free use of the Town Hall in connection with the reception given to the Swedish International Polo Team,

5—Pittville Lake—Boating—The Committee considered the question of the boating in the Made Hill Annexe. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to place control of the boating under this Committee. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to purchase one paddle boat for children at an approximate cost of £8, and that the Committee inspect this at their next meeting.

6—Illustrated Guide—Read, letter of the 13th inst. from Mrs. Bisset asking the Corporation to join with the Chamber of Commerce in issuing a new official Guide. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to on the understanding that the Corporation will contribute one-fifth of the cost of the Guide up to £100 for two years, and are credited with one-fifth of the profits, the Guide to be produced by a joint Committee of representatives of this Committee and the Chamber of Commerce. RESOLVED, also, That the Chairman (Councillor Waite), Councillors Lipson, Thomas and Weech, together with the Entertainments Manager be appointed as the representatives of this Committee.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 21st July, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Pates - Councillors Lipson, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward and Weech ; Messrs. H. W. Bennett and E. J. Burrow (Councillor Waite in the chair).

7—Spa Baths—Chimney--The Borough Surveyor submitted two tenders for providing smoke consuming apparatus to the boiler at these Baths. Both contractors offered to fix the apparatus on two months free trial, and to remove it at the end of that period and to reinstate the boiler free of charge if not entirely satisfactory. RESOLVED, That the tender of Johnson Smoke Consumer Ltd of £72 10s. 0d. plus the sum of £15 for their patent furnace be accepted subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into

8—Advertising—(a) RESOLVED, That a half-page advertisement be taken in the British Resorts Handbook.

(b) Daily Telegraph—Read, letter of the 12th inst. from Mr. E. J. Burrow that he had arranged for the reinstatement of the paragraph relating to Cheltenham Spa in the Daily Telegraph for a period of at least 20 weeks, but that he had been unable to get the newly formed Hotel Association to advertise and so bear part of the expense. RESOLVED, That Mr. H. W. Bennett be asked to bring the matter before the advertising Committee of the Chamber of Commerce with a view to getting the paragraph continued at the expiration of the 20 weeks.

9—Winter Garden—The Committee further considered the offer from Mr. Pat Collins to rent the Winter Garden for an amusement fair. Mr. Collins now offered the sum of £75 for the use of the Garden for two weeks before and two weeks after Christmas, with four days at the beginning and end of the period for fitting up and taking down his amusements, and was prepared to place only such amusements in the building as were approved by the Committee. Read, letter from Mr. J. R. Wilkins that he had no objection to the building being let for this period. RESOLVED, That the offer be accepted subject to payment of cost of electricity and water, and to the cost of making good any damage, and to an agreement, to be prepared by the Town Clerk, being entered into.

10—Cricket Festival—RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Manager be instructed to arrange for a Special Cricket Dance during the County Cricket Festival, and that the teams playing on the occasion of the dance be invited to attend.

11—Municipal Orchestra—The Entertainments Manager reported that the B.B.C. desired to broadcast the Orchestra on September 8th and 9th. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to continue Mr. Cole's contract for the provision of the Orchestra for one week to enable these broadcasts to be given.

11—Montpellier Gardens—Read, letter of the 20th inst. from Lt.-Col. A. M. Cockshott drawing attention to the inconvenience of one portion of the inner gate not being made to open. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have this done if this can be carried out at little expense.

12—Pittville Lake—Boating—The Committee inspected the paddle boat purchased and also the motor boat. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to a special meeting to be held on the 25th instant.

13—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Report of the Sub-Committee at their meeting held on the 17th inst. They recommended (inter alia) as follows :—

(a) August Bank Holiday—That the Band of the Royal Gloucestershire Hussars be engaged for August Bank Holiday at a charge of £12 10s. 0d., and that the Octet play in Sandford Park in the morning, and that a charge of 2d. be made for chairs.

(b) Vocalists—That the Entertainments Manager be allowed the sum of £16 for vocalists at the Orchestral Concerts for the latter half of the season.

(c) Orchestra—That the Orchestra play in the Made Hill Annexe and Whaddon Road, Naunton Park and St. Mark's Recreation Grounds on the 24th and 31st July and 14th and 21st August respectively, and that on the occasion of these concerts, the Salvation Army Band be allowed to play in the Winter Garden and to retain the receipts.

(d) Broadcast—The Sub-Committee reported that they had received a letter from the B.B.C. that the broadcasts were a considerable improvement on last year's relays from the Winter Garden. RESOLVED, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

14—Town Hall—It was reported that Mr. F. Brown (Cleaner) at the Town Hall had resigned. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Section 9 of the Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922, the Council be informed that at the meeting of the Council to be held on the 4th September, it is the intention of the Committee to recommend that Mr. Brown be repaid his contributions to the Superannuation Fund.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

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At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 25th July, 1933. Present—Alderman Pates; Councillors Pruen, Thomas, Waite and E. L. Ward ; and Mr. H. W. Bennett (Councillor Waite in the chair).

15—Pittville Lake--The Committee further considered the boating at this lake, RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to purchase an additional children's paddle boat at a cost of £8 8s. 0d., and that the two boats purchased be let to Mr. Healey for the remainder of this Season for the sum of £2. RESOLVED, also, That tenders be invited for the boating rights for the next one, two and three seasons.

16—Town Hall—RESOLVED, That the free use of accommodation at the Town Hall be granted for a Sessional Meeting of the Royal Sanitary Institute to be held in Cheltenham on dates to be arranged in October next.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 24th July, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Moore; Councillors Leigh James, Scott Langley, Waite and J. F. Ward (Alderman Moore in the chair).

1—Lorry—The Committee considered the report of the Borough Electrical Engineer as to the amount expended on lorry hire as compared with the cost of the purchase of a new lorry. RESOLVED, That a new two-ton lorry be purchased. and that the Mayor and Councillors Leigh James and Scott Langley be authorised to accept a tender for a suitable lorry.

2—Advertising—The Borough Electrical Engineer recommended that now that the " Change Over" was completed it was desirable to bring more prominently to the notice of the public the advantages of electricity and submitted proposals for a publicity scheme. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and that the Chairman, Councillors Leigh James and E. L. Ward be appointed an **Advertising Sub-Committee.**

3—Accounts 1933-34- -The Borough Treasurer submitted statement of accounts for the year ended 31st March last, showing a net surplus for the year of £519 9s. 5d.. RESOLVED, That this be carried to the net revenue appropriation account, and that the sum of £1,000 be transferred from that account to the Reserve Fund account.

4—Electricity Charges—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he considered that the time had now arrived when it was possible to make some reduction in the charges, and recommended that the following modifications and reductions should be made :—

(a) SERVICE CABLES-That in the Borough the allowance on Consumers' premises of 10 feet of cable free be increased to 20 feet,

That in the Rural Area the charges for the cable on Consumers' premises be reduced as follows :—

0.02 Cable from 1s 6d. to 1s per foot.

0.06 “ 2s 6d. to 2s “

0.10 “ 3s 2d. to 2s 6d. “

with an allowance of 10 feet of cable free.

Overhead Services—That an allowance of 15s be made on the actual cost of the services.

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(b) ELECTRIC COOKER CABLES.

That, having arranged with the wiring contractors to reduce their charge from 1s per foot to 9d. per foot, the free length of cable for cookers be increased from 20 feet to 30 feet.

(c) CHARGES FOR ENERGY-Domestic Tariff.

Rateable Value Basis—That the unit charge be reduced from $\frac{3}{4}$ d. to $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Room Basis—That in future the charge be 5s per room per quarter plus $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per unit with option to existing consumers to continue at the present rate.

Rural Area—That the flat rate for lighting be reduced to 6d. per unit, and that the power charge remain at $1\frac{1}{4}$ d. per unit.

(d) HIRE OF WASH BOILERS.

That the present charge of 3s per quarter be reduced to 2s per quarter.

RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted, and that in the case of (a) (Service Cables) and (d) (Hire of Wash Boilers), the reductions take effect forthwith, but that the other reductions recommended take effect as from the reading of the meters for the September quarter.

5—Extensions to Mains—(a) Whaddon Housing Estate—The Committee considered the request of tenants in Whaddon Avenue for the supply of electricity. The estimated cost of extending the supply cables and providing insulated line along the fronts of the houses as on the Pilley Lane Estate would be £227, and the cost of the service lines from the mains to each house would be £130. To these sums would have to be added the cost of wiring the houses. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to authorise this Committee to provide the supply and have the houses wired, and to charge the Housing Committee with the cost of the service cables, and of wiring the houses with interest spread over a period of 10 years. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to obtain tenders for the wiring of the houses,

(b) Alstone Lawn Estate—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to extend the mains and provide service cables for the houses to be erected on the Alstone Lawn Estate, and also to provide the necessary street lamps and street lighting cables.

(c) RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to make the extensions to mains referred to in his report at an estimated cost of £57 and £243 respectively, upon the terms approved by the Committee.

(d) RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to make the extension to main for the supply of Lynworth Gardens at an estimated cost of £17 13s. 0d. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Transport for consent to the placing of overhead lines across private land.

(e) Hester's Way—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to an agreement with the Post Office for the erection of joint telephone and power supply pole in Hester's Way for the supply of several houses adjoining the Hester's Way Sub-station.

6—Supply to Rural Areas—(a) Salterley Grange Substation—RESOLVED, That the offer of the Birmingham Corporation to lease a small piece of land facing the Birdlip Road for the erection of a substation to afford a supply to houses near the Salterley Grange for a term of 14 years at a rent of 10s per annum be accepted, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the lease.

(b) Cleeve Hill—The Town Clerk submitted sanction of 13th inst. from the Electricity Commissioners to the borrowing of £1,830 for this service to be repayable within a period of 25 years..

7—Damage to Lamp Standard—Read, report of damage on the 20th ult. to a lamp standard at the corner of Russell Street and Townsend Street by a lorry belonging to Messrs. E. Knott and Co. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for the cost of making good the damage, estimated at £8 18s. 0d.

8—Gas Tests—(a) Quarterly Report—Read, report of Gas Examiner for the quarter ended 30th June, 1933, which showed the average calorific value for the quarter to be 472.2 B.Th.U.

(b) Periodical Report—Read, report of Gas Tests made on the 27th ult. and 5th and 13th inst., which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 472.5, 470 and 471.6 B.Th.U. respectively, and the pressure 5.4, 5.4 and 5.3 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 11th July, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Margrett Moore and Pates ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Scott Langley and Morris (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days ended 10th July, 1933.	Average for corresponding Period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	150,000 gallons	333,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	249,000 "	735,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	39,000	61,000
Total	447,000	1,129,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	10th, July, 1933.		10th July, 1932.	
Hewletts		18,273,000 gallons		23,027,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	19ft. 8ins.	41,829,000 "	29ft. 0ins.	84,588,000
Leckhampton	8ft. 0ins.	1,080,000	11ft. 0ins.	1,485,000
Total Storage		61,182,000		109,100,000

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

3—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered, and the rates settled and adjusted.

4—Sewage Purification Plant at Dowdeswell—The Borough Engineer recommended that the sewage purification plant at Dowdeswell should be reconstructed by raising the general level of the tank and filter walls, altering the small tank, including the provision of a proper storm overflow, and converting one of the filters into a settling tank, and modernising the three remaining filters so as to produce a satisfactory effluent at an estimated cost of £68. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to have this done.

5—Copper Tubing—Read, application from the Yorkshire Copper Works Ltd. for permission to use copper tube of lighter gauge than that specified in the Regulations. The Borough Engineer reported that the proposed gauge appeared to be sufficient to withstand the pressure in the town, and had been adopted in other towns. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for approval of the amendment of the Regulations so as to provide for the adoption of a lighter gauge of copper tubing.

6—Hewletts Reservoir—(a) The Borough Engineer and Medical Officer of Health reported further on the interview which they had with Sir Alexander Houston on the 28th April last with regard to the quality of the waters from Hewletts and Leckhampton Reservoirs. With regard to hardness, Sir Alexander stated that these supplies were no harder than the water supplied in a number of towns, including part of the supply for the London Area. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned until the new pumping plant at Tewkesbury is completed.

(b) Attendances—The Borough Engineer reported that the number of people attending the Reservoirs on Sundays had been as follows, namely :—June 4th, 72 ; June 11th, 28 ; June 18th, 16 June 25th, 79.

7—River Chelt—The Town Clerk submitted second report on the River Chelt based on a survey carried out in August, 1932, by the District Inspector of Fisheries, RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Medical Officer of Health and Borough Engineer.

8—Tewkesbury Waterworks—The Town Clerk reported that he had now settled the claims for compensation made by the Tewkesbury Hospital Committee, Mr. Leatham and Mr. Steel, on the terms authorised by the Committee.

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9—Land, London Road—(a) Read, letter of the 19th inst. from Mr. Percy Lloyd, Diocesan Registrar, on behalf of the Rev. J. T. Avent, accepting the offer made by the Corporation, on the recommendation of Mr. G. S. Giller to purchase the Dowdeswell Glebe land comprising fields Nos. 268, 269 and 295 containing an area of 6.117 acres on the following terms :—Purchase price £350 plus the usual surveyor's fees and vendors solicitors' costs, provided the Corporation would also contribute £8 towards Mr. Lloyd's costs incurred in negotiations with the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, the Bishop and the Patron etc., the land to be conveyed subject to covenant that no building should be erected on the land. RESOLVED, That these terms be agreed to, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the conveyance.

(b) Read, letter from Messrs. Tayler, Fletcher and Villar, on behalf of Messrs. J. and C. Pearce and Mrs. L. Pearce agreeing to sell their land, including compensation, for the sum of £230, proportioned as follows :—Mr. J. Pearce £140; Mr. C. Pearce £55; Mrs. L. Pearce £35; subject to payment of vendors' surveyors' fees and solicitors costs, and in addition, the Corporation to provide motor or other haulage of their caravans from their present position to a reasonable distance ; Messrs. Pearce to provide lorries on which the caravans are to be removed. RESOLVED, That these terms be agreed to, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the conveyances.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 18th July, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor; Aldermen Margrett, Moore, Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Diseases Amongst Animals—Superintendent Wayman reported that the Borough was now free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

2—Fire Brigade—(a) The Captain reported that since the last meeting the Brigade had attended the following outbreaks of fire :—

Date.	Place	Cause.	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
10th July	Shentons Printing Works, Grosvenor Place South	Not apparent	£60-100	£3 5s. 6d.
3rd July	The Clevelands, Shaw Green Lane, Prestbury	Accident with Paraffin	Slight	£1 12s. 6d.

(b) Read, letter from Mr. G. E. Arthurs, Hon. Secretary of the Winchcomb District Hospital enquiring on what terms the Council would provide the services of the Brigade in the event of an outbreak occurring at the Hospital. RESOLVED, That he be informed that the Council are prepared to provide the services of the Brigade subject to the Hospital Committee entering into the usual agreement to pay an annual retaining fee of £5, and the expenses according to the scale of the attendance of the Brigade in the event of an outbreak of fire.

3—Devil's Chimney—The Borough Surveyor submitted correspondence with the National Federation of Granite and Roadstone Quarry Owners, together with letter from Mr. H. D. Martin offering to inspect and report on the Devil's Chimney for a fee of Fifty Guineas plus expenses. RESOLVED, That this offer be not accepted, but that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the chimney periodically inspected.

4—Borough Extension—The Town Clerk submitted his observations on the first General Review of County Districts received from the County Council. RESOLVED, That these be approved, and that the same be forwarded to the Ministry of Health.

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5—Review of Electoral Divisions—The Town Clerk submitted letter of 20th ult. from the Clerk to the County Council that the County Council were considering the question of a review of the Electoral Divisions in the County, and asking for any observations which the Council might desire to make with respect to the 9 Electoral Divisions for the Borough. RESOLVED, That the County Council be informed that in view of the extension of the Borough and the de-urbanisation of several urban areas, the Council consider that the Urban representation on the County Council should be maintained and that the Borough should be allotted an additional member.

6—Superannuation--(a) RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Rating Committee, That the services of Mr. A. Ricketts, Rate Collector, be extended for one year up to the 28th July, 1934.

(b) RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Street and Highway Committee, That the services of G. Taylor (Labourer), and C. Waring (Sweeper), be extended for one year up to the 8th and 2nd September, 1934, respectively.

7—Hackney Carriage Licences—The Town Clerk submitted list of licences not yet taken up. RESOLVED, That Superintendent Wayman be instructed to take proceedings against any of these persons found plying for hire without a licence.

8—Gordon Memorial Lamp—The Town Clerk reported that the Scottish Society had now provided and fixed a tablet recording the erection of the lamp as a memorial to General Gordon, which was unveiled by the Mayor on the 14th inst.

9—Parking Places- (a) Cambray—Read, further letter of 22nd ult. from Mr. W. Ricketts asking the Committee to consider prohibiting the use of this parking place after 11 p.m. RESOLVED, That the Committee do not see their way to recommend the Council to adopt this suggestion.

(b) Read, letter of 21st inst. from the North Gloucestershire Motor Traders Association that in the opinion of the Association, there was no necessity for expenditure on car parks, as the garages in the town could accommodate 500 cars, and urging the abolition of the 5s season tickets, and the enforcement of the regulation restricting the parking to two hours, and that the practice of motorists parking their cars in Clarence Parade, North Street, Regent Street and Ormond Place should be discouraged.

10—Royal Crescent Garden—Read, letter from the late Mr. Gr S. Giller as to the negotiations which he had had with Mr. Yeaman and the Trustees and the Committee of Management of the Gardens. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to proceed with the negotiations.

11—Municipal Offices—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. F. W. Brill, the Registrar of Births and Deaths had made application to rent a room in the basement of the Offices for his office. RESOLVED, That a room in the basement be let to him at a rent of £13 per annum plus electricity charges, subject to terms being arranged with regard to cost as to necessary alterations and renovations.

12—Unemployed Services Club—Read, letter from the Rector and Mr. G. Blagg, the respective Chairman and Secretary of the Advisory Committee of the Cheltenham Unemployed Services Club, applying for a grant in lieu of rates, water and electricity charges, and for a contribution towards the purchase of premises at the corner of Monson Avenue for the use of the Club. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to make a contribution of £50 per annum payable by equal half yearly instalments, the first of such half yearly payments to be payable on the 30th September next, subject to the deduction of any amounts which may be due to the Corporation for rates, electricity and water charges, and to the matter being reconsidered in a year's time.

13—Noisy Vehicles, etc.—Read, letter of 4th inst. from the Cheltenham Branch of the National Citizens Union that the Branch would be pleased to co-operate with the Council in any steps which may be taken to prevent any excessive noise made by motor vehicles. RESOLVED, That the Union be informed that this is a matter for the Police.

14—Traffic Control—Suffolk Road and Bath Road—The Committee considered the suggestion of Councillor Pruen that automatic traffic lights should be erected at the junction of Suffolk Road and Bath Road. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to authorise this Committee to take the necessary steps for the provision of automatic traffic lights at this junction.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 10th July, 1933. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, P. T. Smith, Waite and Yarnold ; Messrs. Castle, Clarkson and Yeend (Councillor Lt.-Col. Biggs in the chair).

1—Prize Scheme—Read, letter from Mr. H. Morris in regard to the decision of the Committee not to award prizes for the best cultivated allotments. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

2—Asquith Road Allotments—Read, letter from Mr. W. Johnston in regard to the damage caused by allotment holders to the hedge between Naunton Bank and Asquith Road allotments. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to ascertain from Mr. Johnston, the names of the offenders, and to write warning them against depositing rubbish in the hedge.

3—Rainbow Field Allotments Nos. 30 (b) and 32 (b)---The Town Clerk submitted further application from the tenant of these allotments to be released from the tenancy of No. 30 (b). RESOLVED, That the application be granted, and that Minute No. 2 passed at the last meeting be varied accordingly.

C. W. BIGGS, Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 10th July, 1933. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris, P. T. Smith, Waite and Yarnold (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Stretchers—The Committee considered the provision of stretchers for the various Recreation Grounds for use in case of casualties. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to obtain estimates of the cost of providing same.

2—Pittville Gardens—(a) The Borough Surveyor submitted report of indecent conduct at these gardens, and reported that the Police were prosecuting the offender.

(b) Boating rights—The Committee further considered the question of the boating rights, and Alderman Pates attended on behalf of the Entertainments Sub-Committee in support of the recommendation of his Committee that the management of boating be transferred to them. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that the Entertainments Sub-Committee be asked to consider the matter further, and submit their proposals to this Committee.

3—Football Pitches—RESOLVED, That the following applications for permission to play football etc, on the recreation grounds during the season 1933-34 season be granted.

Recreation Ground.	Name of Club	Day of Play.
	St. Mark's Brooklyn F.C.	Alternate Saturdays.
"	Smiths Systems F.C.	" "
Whaddon Road	Cheltenham Labour Hall F.C.	" "
"	Wesley Sunday School F.C.	" "
Agg-Gardner	Central School Old Boys A.F.C.	" "
"	All Saint's Old Boys ...	" "
"	St. Paul's Old Boys F.C.	" "
	St. Gregory's Ladies' Hockey Club	Wednesdays and Saturdays.

3—St. Mark's Recreation Ground—Councillor P. T. Smith reported as to boys climbing over the fence at St. Mark's Recreation Ground on to his premises, causing considerable damage. RESOLVED, That

the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the parents of the boys, and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to report as to the erection of barbed wire on the top of the fence. RESOLVED, also, That the Custodian be asked to take steps to prevent boys climbing over the fence.

W. SAWYER, Chairman.

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ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 14th July, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham ; and Councillors Scott Langley, S. C. Morris and W. N. Weech ; (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair),

1—Curator's Report—Visits—During May and June 6,916 (against 4,494). Included in these figures were parties from St. Luke's Junior School, Gloucester (26) ; Devonshire Street School (16) ; Ladies' College (21) ; and Practising School (9).

Receipts—Catalogues, "Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund," etc. £13 15s. 5d.

Exhibitions—The New Group had been on view from 26th April to 20th May; Photographs from "The Times" entitled " Britain Illustrated," from 24th May to 17th June ; An Exhibition of Models and Plans from the £1,000 All-British House Competition, from 20th June until 8th July. The Permanent Collection had been rehung.

Museums Association Conference—The Curator read his report on the Conference which was held at Norwich from 3rd to 7th July, 1933, He has been re-elected Hon. Secretary.

2—Donations—Miss E. Maude Bubb, 4 wooden butter prints ; Col. Beasley, West African specimens ; Mrs. Davies, 2 Pictorial Plaques in Royal Worcester Porcelain ; Councillor Dr. W. Curling Hayward, 12 native spears; Mrs. How Martyn, Cotswold Landscape by Laurence Scott ; National Art-Collections Fund per Sir Robert Witt, "Design for the costume of the fool in King Lear," by Charles Ricketts, R.A. ; Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Scott, Bottle-necked vase by Bernard Moore ; Mrs. Paul Smith, 18 drawings of local interest ; Mrs. Williams, Etching by Benjamin Wilson, Prie-Dieu Chair, Needlework map of England, picture of peacock in wool-work ; Miss Winsor, drawing by M. A. C. Crabb, after Sir G. Hayter of Queen Victoria's wedding. RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

3—Loans—From Dr. J. Curtis Webb, M.B., 200 drug pots ; Mr. G. B. Pease, 6 water colours and 1 oil painting. RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Lenders.

4—National Art-Collections Fund—The Curator read a letter from Sir Robert Witt, Chairman of this Fund, presenting a drawing by the late Charles Ricketts, R.A., and asking the Committee if they could see their way to subscribing to the Fund. RESOLVED, That sympathetic consideration be given this request in next year's Estimate.

5--Offer of Drawings—The Curator reported that Miss Trotter offered two drawings by Ozanne and J. H. Verheyen for 6 guineas. RESOLVED, That the purchase be not entertained.

6---Letter to the Chairman from Harry Fidler, R.B.A., R.O.I.—This artist wrote offering one of his pictures at reduced price RESOLVED, That the Curator be authorised to make further enquiries, and if necessary inspect the work offered and report.

7—Exhibitions—RESOLVED, That the following exhibitions be arranged :-

23rd September to 28th October, 1933. The Cheltenham Group of Artists.

3rd to 18th November, 1933. Exhibition of practical work from Cheltenham Schools and Centres.

8—Extension of Art Gallery and Museum Hours—On the suggestion of Mr. G. W. Hedley, M.A., it was RESOLVED, That the Curator be asked to consider the various aspects of keeping open later, and report to the next meeting.

9—Powys-land Museum—An application for the loan of an Iron Currency Bar had been received. RESOLVED, That the loan of one example be granted for 12 months.

10—Museum Assistant—RESOLVED, That on the transfer of Miss S. Jeffery to Library Staff, John N. Taylor (O.C.) be appointed to commence duties on 31st July, 1933, at 20s per week.

11—Gibraltar House—RESOLVED, That this shop and house be not let separately.

12—August Bank Holiday Opening—RESOLVED, That the Art Gallery and Museum be kept open until 8 p.m. on Monday, August 7th, 1933.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM, Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 21st July, 1933. Present—Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Morris, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of the Superintendent for the period from 24th June to 21st July, 1933. Interments 39 ; Grave Spaces sold 8 (First Position 2, Second Position 1, Fourth Position 5) ; New Inscriptions 9 ; Memorials erected 9.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8815 to 8822 (both inclusive)

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following Designs be approved:—Headpiece and Kerbing to graves of George John Peapell Maslin, Dorothy Maslin, Nancy Octavia Maslin, and Ernest Maslin, Barbara Hazel Weaving, Louisa Stallard, and Frederick John Andrews ; Kerbing and Posts to graves of Maria Wilmot Seton, Ethel Penny, Joseph Fisher and Mary Ann Fisher, Christopher Ernest Gregory, Arthur Lyman MacGowan, and Tom Jones and Caroline Jones ; Cross to grave of Susan Harriet MacLeod ; Kerbing to graves of Jessie Sutherland Walker, Benjamin Williams, Mary Louisa Williams, and Mary

Curzon Williams, John Emlyn Havard, Alice Amelia Protherough, James Summerfield, and Isabella Mitchell Wilson.

4—Maintenance of Grave Spaces-3128-9 Section O., and 1333 Section M—The Superintendent submitted letters from Messrs. Grant Davies & Co. enquiring on what terms the Corporation would undertake the maintenance of these grave spaces in perpetuity. RESOLVED, That they be informed that the Corporation are willing to undertake the maintenance of the grave spaces in perpetuity in consideration of a lump sum of £80 in respect of 3128-9 Section Q., and £50 in respect of 1333 Section M, subject to the memorials being first put in good order.

(b) 1731 Section B.1.—Read, letter from Mr. E. L. Vincent enquiring whether the Corporation would undertake the maintenance of this grave in perpetuity for a less sum than £50. The Superintendent also reported thereon. RESOLVED, That the Corporation are prepared to accept a lump sum of £40, subject to the Memorial etc., being first put in good order.

5—Land at Cemetery—RESOLVED, That offers be obtained for the fruit in the Orchard, and that the Chairman be authorised to accept a tender.

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 13th July, 1933. Present—Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Curling Hayward, Lipson, Yarnold and leech ; Dr. R. Davies ; and Messrs. H. J. Norris, E. C. Rogers and C. E. Walsh (Councillor Dr. Curling Hayward in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report for June—Receipts £14 17s. 10d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 5,616 (last year 6,521); Lending Department 15,229 (last year 15,710) ; Junior Department 1,927 (last year 2,524). Total for the month 22,772 (last year 24,755).

Binding and Refilacements-261 volumes had been returned from the Binder, and 92 volumes have been replaced.

Inter-availability of Library facilities—An agreement for inter-availability of tickets has been made with Leamington Spa Public Library.

2—Donations—The Abbey Publicity Service Ltd. (27 guides) ; Anonymous (3 vols.) ; British Museum (2 vols.) : Mr. Ed. J. Burrow (1 vol.); Messrs. Ed, J. Burrow & Co. Ltd. (28 guides); Miss M. Cant (2 vols.); The Homeland Association Ltd. (1 vol.) ; Miss L. M. James (3 vols.) ; The Order of the Cross (2 vols.) London Association of Certified Accountants (1 vol.) ; Mr. H. H. Martyn (3 vols.) ; Mr. W. Lock Mellersh (1 vol.) ; Brig.-Gen. P. J. Miles (1 vol.) ; The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (1 vol.) ; Mr. J. Willett (1 vol.) ; Mrs. E. L. Williams (1 vol.) ; Miss A Wilson (2 vols.).

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

3—Books—RESOLVED, (a) That 196 volumes, published at £64 8s. 0d., be purchased for £36 4s. 4d.

(b) That the sum of £35 be spent on Binding,

(c) That the sum of £15 be spent on Replacements.

(d) That 3 volumes, published at £6 6s. 0d. be purchased for £3 2s. 9d. from the Leslie Young Bequest Fund.

4—Periodicals—RESOLVED, (a) That "The Motor Boat," 4d. weekly, suggested for purchase, be not taken.

(b) That " Modern Meat Marketing," monthly, offered as a gift, be accepted.

5—August Bank Holiday—RESOLVED, That all departments of the Library, including the News Room, be closed on August 7th.

6—Boiler Insurance—The Vulcan Boiler Insurance Co. reported that the boiler was in satisfactory working order.

7—Staff—The Librarian reported the resignation of Miss E. A. Townsend on her approaching marriage. RESOLVED, That her resignation be accepted, and that the Librarian be authorised to appoint a new junior assistant.

W. CURLING HAYWARD,

Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 21st July, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; and Councillor Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair),

1—Proposals—The Committee considered the 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—Shropshire, Worcestershire and Staffordshire Electric Power Company—Read, letter of 5th inst. from the Clerk to the County Council with regard to the deletion at the Council meeting of the representation of Gloucester on the Sub-Committee to be appointed to act on behalf of all local authorities in regard to the cumulo valuation of this company. Mr. Gardom stated that he understood that Gloucester Corporation were interested in the valuation and had been parties in all negotiations up to the present time, and that only one person would be appointed to represent the County and the City together, RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to amend the resolution passed at the last meeting of the Council by including the City of Gloucester where previously deleted.

3--Change of Occupation—RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Section 5 (1) (c) of the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925, that the Rating Officers be authorised generally to make such additions or corrections in the Rate Book as appear to be necessary by reason of any change in the occupation of any hereditaments.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 25th July, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor: Alderman Moore and Councillor Waite (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 21st inst., on the collection of the First Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £64,443. Leaving outstanding £39,155.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 22nd inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 30th September, 1933. Amount collected £13,286. Leaving outstanding £6,141.

3—Sanction to Loan—The Town Clerk reported the receipt of the following sanction :—

Date, 1933.	Purpose.	Amount.	Period of Repayment.
12th July	Electricity Extension to Cleeve Hill ...	£1,830 ...	25 years.

4—**Accounts Rota Committee**—Reported Meeting on 25th inst. Present—The Deputy Mayor (in the chair) and Alderman Moore.

The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

5—Superannuation—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that James Patrick died on the 2nd instant. RESOLVED, That his widow be refunded the amount of his contributions, with interest, amounting to £48 14s 1d.

(b) The Borough Treasurer reported that John Holder (Ashman) was due to retire on the 1st October next. RESOLVED, That he be paid a pension of 16s per week calculated on his wages for the last five years, on a non-contributory basis of 44 years' service.

(c) Read, application from the Cheltenham Branch of the National Union of General and Municipal Workers for a list showing the number of employees and officials in the various departments occupying designated posts. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to accede to this.

6—Corporation 3 per cent. Stock—RESOLVED, That the Borough Treasurer be authorised to purchase two parcels of this Stock amounting to £1,475 13s. 6d. RESOLVED, also, That the sum of £1,475 13s. 6d. 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—Housing Repairs Fund—The Borough Treasurer submitted statement of the repairs funds of the various Housing schemes. There was a net surplus in hand of £6,676. RESOLVED, That the sum of £5,000 be invested as now approved by the Committee.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 31st August, 1933.

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 September, 1933, 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 Meeting.
2. Town Clerk to Report Election of Councillor for East Ward to fill vacancy caused by death of the late Councillor Selim Smith.
3. Communications by the Mayor.
4. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE HOUSING COMMITTEE
TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE
5. To accept tenders for carrying out of Flooding Prevention Scheme, College Road District.
6. To consider application from Col. M. J. King Harman for maintenance of Grave 1274. C. I. in perpetuity.
7. To appoint a representative Trustee of Stansby's Charity to fill vacancy caused by expiration of term of office of Councillor E. L. Ward. 8. To fill vacancies on the following Committees, viz. : Housing ; Town Improvement and Spa ; Water ; Parks and Recreation Grounds ; Allotments and Burial Board.

9. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

To each Member of the Council.

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, 31st July, 1933, at 3 p.m. Present : The Mayor (Councillor Capt. John Henry Trye, C.B.E., R.N., J.P.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P.).

Aldermen Margrett, C.B.E., J.P., Moore, Pates, Sawyer and Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P. Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, M.A., Dr. Hayward, M.B., B.S., Leigh James, Scott Langley, Lipson, M.A., Miller, Morris, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Weech, M.A. and Yarnold.

Apology—An apology for absence was received from Councillor Lt.-Col. Biggs.

1—Death of Councillor Selim Smith—Resolved, That this Council record their sincere regret at the death of Councillor Selim Smith, who has been a member of the Council for nearly 5 years, and desire to express their deep sympathy with his family in their bereavement. Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 3rd July, 1933, 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.

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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 Meeting held July 10

Subject to an Amendment moved by Alderman Moore and seconded by Councillor Yarnold: That Minute No. 11 in regard to the drainage at Hillsborough, Kings Road be referred back."

Housing Meeting held July 13

Subject to an Amendment moved by the Deputy Mayor : " That Minute No. 4 in regard to the increase of the rents on the St. Mark's Estate be referred back."

Street and Highway Meeting held July 17

Resolved, also, with reference to Minute No. to, That permission be given to the Post Office to erect a special air mail posting box on the footpath immediately adjoining their main entrance, and against the wall of the Post Office, subject to the exact position being approved by the Borough Surveyor.

Maternity and Child Welfare Meeting held July 17

Street and Highway and Water Meeting held July 6 (Joint Meeting)

Town Planning Meeting held July 19

Town Improvement and Spa. Meetings held July 14, 21 & 25

Subject to the following Amendments :—

Moved by Alderman Moore and seconded by Councillor Lipson : " That no charge be made for admission to the children's open air bath at the Electricity Works."

Moved by Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham and seconded by Alderman Sawyer: That Minute No 15 be amended in that the paddle boats be not put on the lake until the matter has been reconsidered."

Resolved, also, That the application of the Cheltenham Boy Scouts Association for the free use of the open air bath at the Electricity Works be granted subject to the scouts attending being under the instruction and supervision of a scout master.

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held July 24

Resolved, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Transport for consent under Section to (b) of the Electric Lighting Clauses Act, 1889, to the placing of an overhead line in Two Hedges Road in the Parish of Woodmancote, and also that application be made for the consents of the Local Authorities concerned.

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Water Meeting held July 11

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held July 18

(An Amendment moved by the Mayor and seconded by Councillor E. L. Ward : " That Minute No 14 in regard to the provision of automatic lights at the junction of Suffolk Road and Bath Road be referred back " was lost).

Resolved, also, That the room in the basement of the Municipal Offices be let to Mr. F. W. Brill on a yearly tenancy, and that his offer to pay half the cost of the renovations and necessary alterations (estimated by the Borough Surveyor at £25) by four quarterly instalments be accepted, but that if the tenancy be terminated before the end of three years, the Corporation to make an allowance in respect of his contributions as may be then valued by the Borough Surveyor.

Allotments Meeting held July 10

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held July 10

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held July 14

Burial Board Meeting held July 21

Public Library Meeting held July 13

Rating Meeting held July 21

Finance Meeting held July 25

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, and such additional sums as may become payable during the month in respect of current Contracts upon the Certificate of the Architect or Officer under whom the work is carried out.

4—Land, Rodney Road—The Town Clerk reported that as authorised at the meeting of the Council in Committee on the 3rd July, the land in Rodney Road formerly belonging to the Car Maintenance Club Ltd., had been purchased by the Corporation for the sum of £2,300. Resolved, That this be approved, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the conveyance.

J. H. TRYE, 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 September, 1933.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 11th August, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Alderman Pates; and Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland and Morris (Alderman Pates in the chair).

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

House.	Purchaser.	Price.
109 Tennyson Road	Mr. R. A. F. Trotman	£450
22 Milton Road (shortly to become vacant)	Mr. A. H. Tippetts	£370

RESOLVED, That these offers be accepted and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyances. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sales.

2—St. Mark's Estate—(a) The Committee further considered Minute No. 4 referred back by the Council with regard to the rents of the houses on this Estate, together with list of 58 tenants who the Selection of Tenants Sub-Committee considered were not in need of a subsidised house. Of these tenants 42 were occupying houses let at 12s. 10d. per week, 1 at 10s. 6d. per week, 3 at 14s 9d. per week and 12 were let to the Chief Constable. RESOLVED, That a letter in the form now settled by the Committee be sent to these tenants intimating that they will be required to give up the houses unless they are willing to pay an increased rent or to purchase their houses. RESOLVED, also, on the recommendation of the Borough Treasurer that the rents of the new non-subsidy houses be fixed at

11s. 4d. per week plus rates etc., making a total of 15s. 6d. per week, and that the above-mentioned tenants who prefer to pay an increased rent for their present houses be charged the following rents.

Tenants now paying 10s. 6d. per week to pay 13s. 2d. per week.

“ “ 12s. 10d. “ 15s. 6d. “

“ “ 14s. 9d. “ 15s. 6d. “

(b) Grass—The Chairman reported that he had accepted an offer of Mr. S. Wasley to pay £1 10s. 0d. for the grass on the field on which the houses were now being erected. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(c) Orchard—RESOLVED, That the Committee approve of the Orchard at the rear of Orchard Terrace being let to Mr. F. Price at a rent of 7 per annum as from the 29th September next when the present tenant (Mr. Flook) would give up the tenancy.

3—Rent and Mortgage Interest Restrictions (Amendment) Act, 1933—The Town Clerk submitted Circular of 24th July last from the Ministry of Health calling attention to this Act. He had obtained the necessary registers and forms and had published information for the assistance of landlords and tenants by means of posters and advertisements. RESOLVED, That this be approved

4-17 and 19 Kipling Road—The Town Clerk submitted application from Mr. C. Price for permission to construct a garage entrance between these two houses of which No 19 belonged to him. The estimated cost of constructing the drive and providing double gates was £15 and the tenant of No. 17 had agreed to pay an extra rent of 6d. per week if the drive was made, and Mr. Price was willing to pay half the cost of carrying out the work. RESOLVED, That the proposal be agreed to and that the Council be recommended to contribute half the cost of the work not exceeding £7 10s. 0d. RESOLVED, also, That the Common Seal be affixed to the necessary deed to be entered into between the Corporation and Mr. Price for granting each other a right of way over the portion of the drive belonging to each house and for the maintenance of the drive and gates in good order at the expense of both parties.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 24th August, 1933. Present—Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham, Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Morris and E. L. Ward ; Capt. Leschallas, Major Shakspeare ; Messrs. W. S. F. Harris and H. Wiggett (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.
3513	Hall, G. A. M.	Two houses, Queen's Road (Amended).
3556	Reason, C. H.	Three houses, Naunton Terrace.
3570	Gurrey, H.	Motor house, Athlone, Mead Road.
3580	Roy, J. M.	Motor house, rear of new houses, Evesham Road.
3581	Billings, A. C. & Sons Ltd.	Motor house, new house (No. 6), Evesham Road.
3582	“ “	Motor house, St. Lawrence, Christ Church Road,
3583	“ “	Four semi-detached houses with garages at rear, Albert Road.
3584	Bayliss, Miss E.	Additions to Hotel Majestic, Park Place.
3585	Victory Motor Co.	Showroom and garage, 42-45 Winchcomb Street (Amended).
3586	Allen, Mrs. R. J.	Addition to Roxborough, Moorend Grove.
3587	General Hospital Governors	New Ward block, General Hospital, Sandford Road.
3588	Marshall, F. H.	Cycle house, Juneavon, Charlton Lane.
3589	_____	Extension of building, 2 Victoria Cottages, St. Paul's Road.
3590	Russell, Rev. W. H. T.	Extension, 79 Winchcomb Street,
3591	Yeates, F. J.	Four houses, Arle Road.
3592	Phillips, H. C.	Motor house, new house, (No. 2), Hatherley Road.
3593	Smith, L. H.	“ “ (No. 3), “
3594	Knott, A.	“ “ (No. 5), “
3595	Fry, R. A.	“ “ (No. 1), “
3596	Precious, G.	“ “ (No. 7), “
3597	Holtham, F. F.	Shop with dwellinghouse accommodation and Bakehouse, Gloucester Road.
3598	Morris, S. C.	4 detached houses with garages, Thorncliffe Estate, Lansdown Road.
3599	Jordan, Mrs.	Conversion into three flats, Elmhurst, Suffolk Lawn.
3600	Hawker, C.	Two semi-detached houses, Arle Road.
3601	Collier, V.	Detached house, Arle Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 3513, 3581, 3585, 3588, 3589, 3590, 3592, 3593, 3594, 3595, 3596, 3598 and 3600 be approved ; That Plan No. 3556 be approved subject to owner undertaking to dedicate when required the land in Naunton Terrace for widening the road to 24 feet without compensation ; That Plan No. 3570 be approved subject to access to the rear of the house for the removal of ashes being provided through the garage ; That Plans Nos. 3580 and 3583 be approved subject to the garage doors being made to open inwards ; That Plans Nos. 3586, 3587 and 3599 be approved subject to the sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, and in the case of Plan No. 3599 subject also to proper provision being made for the collection of ashes ; That Plan No. 3591 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out in iron pipes ; That Plan No. 3597 be approved subject to the condition that all vehicles loading or unloading goods shall do so off the back lane ; and That Plans Nos. 3582, 3584 and 3601 be not approved.

2—Town Planning Area—Plans—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings under the Town and Country Planning (General Interim Development) Order, 1933:-

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
488	Bunbury, Capt. G. R.	Additional cloakroom, Puckham Cottage, Puckham Woods, Sevenhampton.
489	Wheeler & Mansell	Development, Green Hyde site, Langley Road, Winchcomb.
490	Cheltenham Corporation	Electricity Dept. Substation, Leckhampton Hill.
491	Do.	Low Tension Overhead Line, Lynworth Gardens, Prestbury.
492	Do.	Low Tension Overhead service, Two Hedges Lane, Woodmancote.
493	Do.	Switch Kiosk, Leckhampton Road.
494	Mathews, E.	House, Corndean Lane, Winchcomb.
495	Pearce, J. C.	House, Station Road, Bishops Cleeve.
496	Toc. H., Bishops Cleeve	Club House, Stoke Road, Bishops Cleeve
497	Thomas, R.	Bungalow, near Dowdeswell Reservoir.
498	Grant, Mrs. E.	House, Oakley Road, Battledown.
499	Jones, L. L.	House, Charlton Park Gate.
500	Bradley, E. H. & Sons	Development, Cirencester Road, Charlton Kings.

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No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
501	Pearce, G.	Alterations, West View, Prestbury.
502	Biggin, E. G.	Preliminary plan for bungalow near Charlton Common.
503	Edwards, R.	Preliminary plan for development in Coldpool Lane
504	Bendall, H. A.	Preliminary plan for house at Little Witcomb.
505	Naunton Estates Ltd.	Development plan, Ewen's Farm, Charlton Kings.
506	Do.	Development plan for land, Whaddon Road.
507	Barnard, L. W., & Partners	Preliminary plan for flats in Montpellier Parade.
508	Vizard, Rev. A. H.	Detached house, Ham, Charlton Kings.
509	Bendall, A. C.	Bungalow, Kidnappers Lane, Leckhampton.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos 488, 491, 492, 496, 498, 499, 501, 507, 508 and 509 be approved ; That Plans Nos. 489, 491, 495 and 500 be approved subject to each owner entering into an undertaking to dedicate the land for the improvement and widening of the respective roads adjoining the property to the improvement lines laid down in the Scheme, when required by the responsible authority, and in the case of Plan No. 500, subject also to the diameter of the turning space in the carriageway at the end of the cul-de-sac being increased to 40 feet ; That Plan No. 490 be approved subject to an undertaking to remove the substation without compensation when the land is required for widening the road ; That Plan No. 497 be approved, but that the owner be informed that if the house is built it will be at the risk of having the temporary wayleave giving access to the land terminated by the Corporation under their agreement whenever they may think necessary That Plan No 504 be approved subject to observations of the Cheltenham Rural District Council ; That Plan No. 505 be

approved subject to the widening of Hayward's Lane and to an additional approach being provided for the land reserved for allotments ; That consideration of Plan No. 506 be deferred for the views of the Street and Highway Committee to be obtained as to proposal for making roads; That Plan No. 493 be referred for inspection by the Chairman, Alderman Winterbotham and Councillor Morris with power to approve of a position for same ; and That Plans Nos. 502 and 503 be not approved.

3—Proposed Executive Committee—RESOLVED, That the conference of representatives of the local authorities to consider the appointment of a joint Executive Committee be held on the 22nd September at 3 p.m.

4-149 High Street—Read, letter from Messrs A. C. Billings & Sons enclosing letter from the Halford Cycle Co. Ltd., and sketch of proposed sign. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Street and Highway Committee.

3—Plan No. 462—Read, letter from Mr. J. A. Millward stating that he was willing to give the undertaking to dedicate a strip of land for widening the road to 36 feet provided the responsible authority purchased the land at its full market value. RESOLVED, That this be not agreed to,

6—Plan No. 478—Read, letter from Messrs. Taylor, Simpson and Mosley on behalf of Mr. G. A. M. Hall that he was willing to dedicate the land in question for widening Prestbury Road on the understanding that he would be freed from all liability for costs of making up the widened road. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to subject to the approval of the County Council, as the authority for making the road.

7—St. Paul's Street South—RESOLVED, That the plan now submitted showing the building and street lines for the development of the site cleared in St. Paul's Street South under the Clearance Order be approved. 6-Pittville Circus Road—Read, letter from Mr. H. A. Bendall asking for modification of Building line in respect of land belonging to Deanwood. RESOLVED, That consideration be deferred for plans to be submitted of his proposals for development.

9—Town and Country Planning Summer School—Read, letter inviting the attendance at the Summer School and Weekend Conference to be held from the 11th to 17th September at Welwyn Garden City. RESOLVED, That the invitation be not accepted.

E. L. WARD,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 29th August, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor; Councillors Waite and E. L. Ward (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 24th inst., on the collection of the First Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £96,183. Leaving outstanding £7,415.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 24th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 30th September, 1933. Amount collected £17,974. Leaving outstanding £1,453.

3—Sanction to Loans—The Town Clerk reported the receipt of the following sanctions :—

Date, 1933.	Purpose.	Amount.	Period of Repayment.
10th August	Electricity Mains	£194	25 years.
“	“ Plant (Switchgear)	£34	20 “
25th August	29 houses, Alstone	£8,507	60 “
“	Roads for Ditto	£764	20 “

4—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on 29th inst. Present—The Deputy Mayor (in the chair) and Councillor E. L. Ward. The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

5—Short Term Mortgages—The Borough Treasurer reported that Mr. Arthur Collins advised that owing to the turn of the market he did not now recommend that the proposed issue of stock should be proceeded with, and he submitted an offer from the Pearl Assurance Company Ltd. to advance a loan of £50,000 to be repayable by 40 half-yearly payments of principal and interest combined at 3 ½ per cent to be advanced on 31st October next, and an additional £50,000 to be advanced on the same terms on 31st December next, and also an offer from the Scottish Widows' Fund and Life Assurance Society to advance a loan of £50,000 in February next on the same terms. RESOLVED, That in the circumstances, the Council be recommended not to proceed with the issue of stock, and that the resolutions of the Council at their meetings on 7th June and 3rd July last authorising the issue of stock be rescinded. RESOLVED, also, That the Council be recommended to accept the above offers of the Pearl Assurance Company Ltd., and the Scottish Widows' Fund and Life Assurance Society, and that the Common Seal be authorised to be affixed to the mortgage deeds for securing the repayment of the loans on the above terms.

6—Electricity Loans—The Borough Treasurer reported that on 31st March last the undermentioned electricity loans were adjusted in line with the reduced expenditure allocations, and he recommended that application should be made to the Ministry of Health and the Electricity Commissioners respectively for reduction of the sanctions accordingly. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted, and that application be made to the Ministry of Health and Electricity Commissioners for the reduction of the sanctions as shown below :—

Date of Sanction,	Original Amount.	To be reduced to.
MINISTRY OF HEALTH-	£	£
3rd July, 1913	2,000	1,333
30th September, 1914	2,000	1,987.
16th April, 1918	870	808.
7th March, 1919	4,200	3,911.
24th July, 1919	2,000	1,998.
11th February, 1921	273	262.

ELECTRICITY COMMISSIONERS.

23rd July, 1920	£4,400	£4,397.
19th July, 1921	2,500	2,498.
17th November, 1921	650	577.
21st January, 1926	9,000	6,503.

7—Superannuation—The Borough Treasurer reported that Miss V. E. M. Griffin and Miss E. A. Townsend, Assistants at the Library, occupying designated posts, had resigned. RESOLVED, That they be refunded the amount of their contributions, together with 3 per cent interest, as follows :—

Miss Griffin £22 8s. 4d. Miss Townsend £15 10s. 0d.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COIIIIITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 1st September, PRESENT : Aldermen Pates and Sawyer, Councillors Waite and E. L. Ward, and Messrs. H. W. Bennett and E. J. Burrow. (Councillor Waite in the Chair).

1. MEDICAL BATHS. Read, the Monthly Report of the Superintendent.

2. ENTERTAINMENTS SUB—COMMITTEE. Read, reports of the Entertainments Sub—Committee at their meetings, held on the 9th and 21st ultimo and 1st instant. They recommended (inter alia) as follows :—

(a) "Winter Garden Tennis Court". That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to let the covered tennis court on the same terms as last year, the agreements to contain provision to terminate the tenancy on fourteen days, notice.

(b) "Winter Dance Band". Having obtained 11 tenders for the provision of a Dance Band for the Winter Season from the 21st October, 1933 to the 17th April, 1934, to play on Saturdays from 3 P.m. to 6 p.m. and from 8 p.m. to 11-45 p.m. that the tender of Al Durrant to supply his Band for £9. 9s. 0d. per Saturday be accepted subject to agreement to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into, and subject to the Corporation having the first option of the Band's services on other days throughout the season.

(c) "Bar" . Having obtained tenders for the right of providing " on the occasion of the special Dances at the Town Hall, that the tender of Georges Ltd. to pay £2. 0s. 0d. per Saturday night Dance and £3. 0s. 0d. per long night Dance and £5. 0s. 0d. for long night Dances of special interest such as Boxing night. Provided that if at the end of the season the payments made do not equal 10% of their receipts Georges Ltd. to make up the payments so as to total 10%.

(d) "Town Hall". That permission be given to Messrs. Woodward and Dale Forty & Co. to place one board each on the railings of the Town Hall facing Imperial Square.

(e) "Sandford park". That deck chairs be placed outside the shelter and on the paving near the fountain at the High Street be entrance to Sandford park, and that a charge of 2d. per chair made.

(f) "Boating at Pittville". That the Entertainments Manager be instructed to advertise for tenders for the boating rights at Pittville for one two or three seasons subject to the conditions as now settled by the Committee.

(g) "Winter Garden". That the offer of Messrs. Timson Brothers to take the south transept for one week commencing 4th September for the purpose of a motor accessories exhibition at a rent of £7 10s. 0d. plus lighting be accepted subject to Messrs. be Timson Brothers undertaking to make good any damage which may be

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done to the premises.

(h) "Summer Orchestra and Band". That the free use of the Town Hall be granted to the Municipal Orchestra for a concert on Saturday, 9th September, the Orchestra to receive the whole of the receipts, and that the band of the Royal Gloucester Hussars be engaged for Sunday, 10th September to give two performances for the usual fee of £12 12s. 0d.

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

3. ALSTONE BATHS. The Chairman reported that Mr. Wi Hi Brasher had presented a water Chute for the open-air bath at Alstone. RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to Mr. Brasher for his generous gift.

4. WINTER GARDEN. "Amusement Fair". Read, letter of the 25th instant from Mr. Pat Collins asking to be allowed to open his fair on the 2nd December at 1st January without payment of additional rent, and also for permission to open on Christmas Day. RESOLVED That Mr. Collins be informed that the Committee are prepared to allow him to open on the 2nd December and 1st January, but that they are unable to accede to his request to open on Christmas Day.

5. WINTER DANCE BAND. The Committee considered two tenders received from Mr. Arthur Cole and Mr. Horace Teague for the provision of music for the Winter Season, and the Entertainments Sub-Committee reported that they had interviewed Mr. Arthur Cole and Mr. Horace Teague and recommended that the tender of Mr. Arthur Cole of £26. 5s. 0d. to provide quartet to play on weekday mornings for 1 ¾ hours each morning, an Orchestra of 10 musicians to play every Sunday evening from 8 to 10 p.m., and an octet to play for 4 hours per week as and when required by the Corporation be accepted, such sum to include any fees which may be received by the Corporation for broadcast concerts. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted, and that the season commence on the 16th October and terminate on the Sunday, 1st April.

6. SUMMER CONCERTS ETC. The Borough Treasurer submitted statement showing that the receipts from the 3rd June to the 29th August 1933 of concerts and summer entertainments amounted to £1119 as compared with £668 for the period from the 14th May to 23rd August last year.

7. PITTVILLE LAKE. The Committee considered the reference back by the Council as to the placing of children's paddle boats on the lake in Marle Hill Annexe. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee when the tenders for the boating rights will be considered.

8. BOXING. The Entertainments Manager reported that as instructed he had communicated with Capt. A. Prince Cox in regard to the promotion of boxing tournaments for next winter season. RESOLVED, That the offer of Capt. prince Cox to stage one tournament in each of the months of October, November, January, February and march be accepted, Capt. Prince Cox to receive 50 per cent of the receipts with a guarantee of a minimum of £25 for each tournament.

9. OCTET. The Entertainments Manager reported that he had provisionally arranged with the B.B.C. for a broadcast of a concert by the octet on September 16th, and to pay Mr. Cole the sum of £8 the Corporation to retain the fee received for the broadcast. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

10. LECTURES. RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Manager be instructed to arrange for a series of five lectures to be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday evenings before Christmas on similar terms to last year.

11. OPENING MUNICIPAL DANCE AND SUNDAY EVENING CONCERT. RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to obtain cabaret for the opening Municipal Dance at a cost not exceeding £10, and also to engage Harold Rubens, the boy pianist for the opening Sunday evening concert at a cost not exceeding £10.

12. SPA FEDERATION. RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Entertainments Manager be authorised to attend the half-yearly meetings of the Spa Federation.

13. GUY FAWKES' NIGHT. RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Manager be instructed to submit a programme for a bon-fire and carnival night at Pittville of November 5th.

T. WILFRED WAITE, Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 29th September 1933. present:- The Mayor, Alderman Pates, Councillors Green, Pruen P. T. Smith, Thomas, E. L. Ward, Waite and Weech; Messrs. H. W. Bennett, E. J. Burrow and J. Howell. (Councillor Waite in the Chair).

1. **ENTERTAINMENTS SUB-COMMITTEE.**.. Read, report of the meeting on the 15th September. Present:- Alderman pates (in the Chair), Councillors P. T. Smith and Waite. They recommended as follows:-(a) "Mineral Waters" That next year the Central Spa be opened on Sunday mornings as well as the Spa at Montpellier Gardens.

(b) "Montpellier. Gardens" That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to provide some lockers in the Chalet for use of hirers of tennis courts at these Gardens.

(c) "Winter Garden" That the proposal of the Entertainments Manager to organise a Radio Exhibition be approved. RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

2. "EVERYMAN". Read, letter from Mr. W. L. Mellersh enclosing letter signed by Dr. Robinson, Sir Henry Thuilier, Mr. Lloyd Baker and six others, suggesting that the Corporation should assist in producing the old morality play "Everyman" for the benefit of the town, and that the use of the Town Hall should be granted free, the Corporation to take the profits less a percentage for the General Hospital. RESOLVED, That the Committee approve of this proposal, and that the Entertainments Manager be instructed to arrange with Mrs. Chubbe and the Committee that produced the play last March at the Princess Hall, for the play to be produced at the Town Hall on a date to be arranged.

3. TOWN HALL. RESOLVED, That the Council agree to the post Office Telephones Department providing an electric light for the telephone cabinet at the Town Hall operated by a door switch, the Corporation to pay for the cost of the energy consumed.

4. ST. GEORGE'S SQUARE BOWLING GREEN. Read letter of the 25th instant from Mr. J. H. Evans, Chairman of the Cheltenham Spa Bowling Club, asking the Council to grant on the expiration of the lease in February next a new lease of this Ground to the Club for a term of three years at a rent of £30 per annum, and also asking that additional lavatory accommodation be provided, as it was their desire to admit ladies as members of the Club. He also asked the Corporation to meet the Club in regard to remedying the defective patches of turf. RESOLVED, That the Club be informed that the Council are prepared to grant a Lease on the same terms as the present Lease for a further period of three years, but are not prepared to reduce the rent, also that the Club be required to carry out their obligations under the Lease to maintain and renew the turf. RESOLVED, also, That consideration of the provision of additional report as to cost. lavatory accommodation be adjourned for the Borough Surveyor to report as to cost.

5. PITTVILLE MINERAL WATER. The Entertainments Manager submitted further correspondence with The Apollinaris Company Limited in regard to the sole right of aerating, bottling and sale of Pittville Water by the Company. The Company were prepared to pay the Corporation 6d per gallon for the water and to pay the cost of transporting this to their filling stations, and the Corporation to pay for the cost of Stones for printing labels and carboys, estimated at £10. RESOLVED, the offer be accepted subject to the terms of an agreement to be approved.

6. SUNDAY CONCERTS. RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Manager

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be authorised to engage artists for the Sunday evening concerts on sharing terms, the artists to be engaged to be first approved by the Committee.

7. GUY FAWKES' NIGHT. The Entertainments Manager submitted his proposals for firework display, band and bonfire, in the Marle Hill Annexe, and Amusement Fair in Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground

on November 4th, at an estimated cost of £35, less £10 to be paid for the right of providing Amusement Fair. RESOLVED, also, That a charge of 6d. be made for admission to the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground and Marle Hill Annexe from 5 p.m.

8. PROPOSED SWIMMING POOL. The Borough Surveyor submitted Sketch Plans for the lay-out of the Swimming Pool in Sandford Park Playing Field, and an alternative lay-out on the Allotment Ground adjoining the Park. On further consideration, it was decided that the site on the Allotment Ground would be more suitable, and it was RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to authorise this Committee to proceed with the preparation of a Scheme for the provision of an Open-air Swimming pool, and sunbathing ground etc. on the Allotments adjoining Sandford Park at an estimated cost of £13,000, and that they be authorised to engage Mr. Edward White to advise as to the lay-out of the proposed scheme in collaboration, with the Borough Engineer at a fee to be arranged.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 29th September, 1933.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 28th September, 1933.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on MOJVIDAY, the 2nd day of October, 1933, 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 Meeting.
2. Communications by the Mayor.
3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE Pf TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE ALLOTMENTS AND TOWN IMPROVEMENT & SPA JOINT COMMITTEES ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE and to give instructions as to Town Clock. WATER COMMITTEE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE TRAFFIC SUB-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,

To each Member of the Council.

Town, Clerk.

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, 4th September, 1933, at 3 p.m. Present.

The Mayor (Councillor Capt. John Henry Trye, C.B.E., R.N., J.P.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P.).

Aldermen Moore, Pates, Sawyer and Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P. Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, O.B.E., Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, M.A., Dr. Hayward, M.B.E., M.B., B.S., Leigh James, Scott Langley, Lipson, M.A., Miller, Morris, P. T. Smith, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, J.P. Weech, M.A. and Yarnold.

Apologies—Apologies for absence were received from Alderman Margrett and Councillor Pruen.

1—Election of Councillor—The Town Clerk reported the election on the 16th August of Mr. W. J. Green as Councillor for the East Ward to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Councillor Selim Smith, and laid before the Council his declaration of acceptance of office.

2 —Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 31st July, 1933, 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.

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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 :—

Housing Meeting held August 11

Town Planning Meeting held August 24

Subject to an Amendment moved by Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham and seconded by Councillor Weech : " That Minute No.1 be amended in that Plan No. 3584 be approved subject to a parapet being provided for the roof of the new building to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor."

Resolved, also, That the offer of Mr. G. A. M. Hall of £1,530 (being the highest offer) for the land in Old Bath Road recently purchased by the Corporation from Mr. C. A. Smith be accepted subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into. Resolved, also, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to proceed with the construction of the temporary road 16 feet wide, and also the laying of the sewer.

Town Improvement and Spa Meetings held August 25 and September 1

Rating Meeting held August 4

Finance Meeting held August 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, and such additional sums as may become payable during the month in respect of current Contracts upon the Certificate of the Architect or Officer under whom the work is carried out.

4—Flooding Prevention Scheme—Six tenders were received for the construction of storm water overflow and for deepening the River Chelt in connection with the Flooding Prevention Scheme in the College Road District. Resolved, That the tenders of Messrs. Mark Williams & Co. Ltd. of £1,120 17s. 1d. for the storm water overflow, and £810 7s. 9d. for deepening the River Chelt (being the lowest in each case) be accepted subject to a contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into, and to sanction to loan being obtained, and that the work be proceeded with. Resolved, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £1.931 for the cost of carrying out the work. Resolved, also, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to serve the necessary notices under the Public Health Act on the owners concerned.

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5—Maintenance of Grave Space 1274—Section C.1.—Resolved, That the application of Col. M. J. King Harman for the maintenance of Grave Space 1274, Section C.1. in the Cheltenham Cemetery in perpetuity in consideration of a lump sum payment of £50 be acceded to, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the agreement.

6—Stansby Charity—Resolved, That Councillor E. L. Ward be reappointed a Representative Trustee of Stansby Charity for a term of four years expiring on 29th July, 1937.

7—Vacancies on Committees—Resolved, That Councillor W. J. Green be appointed to fill the vacancies on the following Committees :—Housing, Town Improvement and Spa, Water, Parks and Recreation Grounds, Allotments and Burial Board.

J. H. TRYE, 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, 2nd October, 1933.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 11th September, 1933. Present—Aldermen Moore and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs ; Rev. de Courcy Ireland, Leigh Janes, Morris, Pruen, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor Pruen in the chair).

1—Insanitary Property at (a) 31 Hungerford Street—The Committee having considered the representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to this house are satisfied that the said house is occupied or is of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and is unfit for human habitation in the respect mentioned in the said official representation, and that it is capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit for human habitation. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Subsection 1 of Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1930, notice be given to the person having control of the house requiring him to execute the works to be specified in the notice which will in the opinion of the Committee render the house fit for human habitation.

(b) 55 Worcester Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee on the 8th May last the works specified to be done at these premises had now been carried out to his satisfaction by Mr. A. J. Hyatt at a cost of £9 13s. 9d. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Owner for payment.

2—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-4 Russell Place ; 2 Oxford Parade ; Mersea House, Bath Road ; and Ranson, Naunton Park Road—RESOLVED, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective Owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Sanitary Inspector on behalf of the Corporation.

3—Nuisances from Drains etc. at (a) 59 Upper Norwood Street ; 13 Priory Terrace ; 3 Sydenham Villas Road ; 9 Portland Terrace (Portland Mews) and 73 Brunswick 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 premises 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) 11 St. Paul's Road and 9 Portland Terrace (Portland Mews)—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 specified work within 28 days.

(c) Station Street—Read, letters from various owners asking the Corporation to accept repayment of the drainage expenses by instalments, RESOLVED, That the Committee interview the applicants at their next meeting.

4—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) 38 Montpellier Terrace ; 17 Montpellier Villas ; 93 and 95 Promenade ; 21 Marle Hill Parade—The Sanitary Inspector reported that he had inspected the basements of these premises which did not comply with the Regulations prescribed by the Corporation under the Housing Acts. The Rota Sub-Committee also reported their inspection of the premises. RESOLVED, That the Council are satisfied that the above mentioned parts of the said buildings are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and

are unfit for human habitation, and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and that notices be served upon the persons having control of the houses, Owners thereof, and mortgagees, if any, of the time and place at which the condition of the said parts of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or future user thereof, will be considered by the Council when any of the above mentioned persons will be entitled to be heard.

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(b) 2 and 3 Freeman's Cottages and 44 Burton Street—The Committee considered official representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses and also report of the Rota Sub-Committee thereon. RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the above mentioned dwellinghouses are unfit for human habitation and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, notices be given under Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, to the Owners, to the persons having control of the houses, and Mortgagees, if any, that the condition of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or the future user of the houses will be considered at a meeting of this Committee to be held on the 13th November next.

(c) 5, 6 and 7 Worcester Street—The Committee further considered the question of making Demolition Orders in respect of these premises, and the Rota Sub-Committee reported their inspection of the premises. RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the dwellinghouses, which are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes are unfit for human habitation, and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and no undertakings having been given by the Owners with respect to the carrying out of work or the future user of the houses, Demolition Orders be now made by the Council in pursuance of Sub-Section (3) of Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, requiring that the houses shall be vacated within 28 days from the date on which the Orders become operative, and that the premises shall be demolished within six weeks after the expiration of the above mentioned period, or if the houses are not vacated by that date, within six weeks after the date on which they are vacated.

(d) Kings Head Gardens—RESOLVED, That consideration of the question of making a Demolition Order in respect of these premises be adjourned for 12 months.

(e) Arle Mill Cottages and 352-370 Gloucester Road—RESOLVED, That consideration of making Demolition Orders in respect of these premises be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

(f) 3 Albert Street, St. Peter's—Read, letter from Messrs Steel & Broom enclosing undertaking signed by Mrs Smith to carry out within eight weeks from obtaining vacant possession the works necessary to render this house fit for human habitation, and that the said house should not be used for human habitation until the Council are satisfied that it has been rendered so fit RESOLVED, That this Undertaking be accepted.

(g) 25, 25a, 27 and 29 Jersey Street—The Town Clerk submitted Undertaking signed by Mr. R. V. Copeland under-taking within six weeks from the date of the undertaking in the case of Nos: 27 and 29 Jersey Street and within six weeks after obtaining vacant possession in the case of Nos. 25 and 25a Jersey Street, to carry out the works necessary for rendering these houses fit for human

habitation and also to use his best endeavours to obtain possession of Nos. 25 and 25a Jersey Street as soon as possible.

(h) 27 Sherborne Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the necessary works to render this house fit for human habitation had been executed to his satisfaction. RESOLVED, That the Undertaking given by the owner be cancelled.

5—Overcrowding at 5 Hughes Passage, 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.

6—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 3 cwt 2 qrs. 8 lbs. Beef ; 1 cwt 5 lbs. Mutton, 6 cwt 1 qr. 17 lbs Pork ; 1 qr. 5 lbs. Veal ; 27 lbs Fowls, 4 lbs. Duck ; 14 lbs. Kippers ; 5 tins of Fruit, Chicken and Ham, etc.

7—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—RESOLVED, That the application of L. J. Lethbridge of 17 Morley Terrace, Cheltenham, to be registered as a Retail Purveyor of Milk within the Borough be granted subject to compliance with the usual conditions.

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 proper ash receptacles, served but not complied with. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance.

9—Slum Clearance Programme—The Medical Officer of Health submitted programme and time table of Slum Clearance under the Housing Act, 1930, comprising 126 houses to be dealt with by Clearance Orders and 150 individual houses to be demolished under Section 19 of the Act, and involving an estimated total displacement of 908 persons. RESOLVED, That 69 houses be dealt with by Clearance Orders during 1934, and 57 houses be dealt with in the years 1936-38, and that 25 individual houses be dealt with in each of the six years ending 1938. and that this programme and time table be forwarded to the Ministry of Health

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10—National Rat Week—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Ministry of Agriculture had fixed the week commencing 6th November next as a National Rat Week, and desired the co-operation of the Council in the campaign-RESOLVED, That the Sanitary Inspector be authorised to carry out the usual campaign, and that he be authorised to expend the sum of £5 5s. 0d. on advertisements.

11—Public Conveniences—(a) Tewkesbury Road—The Sanitary Inspector submitted complaint of the condition of the convenience near the "Queen's Head." RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Rota Sub-Committee for inspection.

(b) L.M.S. Station—The Committee further considered the purchase of a site at the L.M.S. Station for a public convenience. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for the present.

(c) Recruiting Posters—Read, application from the Bristol Recruiting Office for permission to exhibit enamel regular Army Recruiting Posters on the walls of the public conveniences. RESOLVED, That permission be given to fix the posters in such conveniences as the Borough Surveyor considers desirable, and to the exact positions being approved by him, and to the Recruiting Officer undertaking to remove the posters on one month's notice.

12—Dust Nuisance---Dammann Asphalt Works—The Committee further considered the question of the nuisance caused by the emission of dust from these works, and the Sanitary Inspector reported that steps were now being taken by the Company to remedy the nuisance, and that the emission of the dust had been reduced. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee, and that meanwhile the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to keep the premises under observation.

13—Grosvenor Place South—Read, memorial from 11 residents in Grosvenor Place South complaining of the noise of the machinery at Shenton's Printing Works, and also of the rubbish at the side of the works blowing about the street. The Sanitary Inspector reported that Messrs. Shenton's had already taken steps to prevent the rubbish blowing about. RESOLVED, That the memorialists be informed that the Committee have no power to deal with the complaint as to the noise.

14—Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933--The Town Clerk submitted copy of this Act, together with circular of the 30th ult. from the Ministry of Health. The Act required animals to be stunned with a mechanically operated instrument except that this requirement would not apply to sheep and goats unless the Corporation applied it by resolution. The Act also required the Corporation to license slaughtermen. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee, and that meanwhile the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to proceed with the registration of slaughtermen.

15—Royal Sanitary Institute Read, circular from this Institute inviting the attendance of delegates to the sessional meeting to be held at Cheltenham on 27th October. RESOLVED, That all the members of the Council be invited to attend.

16—L.M.S. Siding, St. Mark's—Read, letter of 4th ult., from Messrs. Ivens & Thompson on behalf of their client, Mr. E. G. F. Poole complaining of the nuisance caused to him by the noise and smoke from railway engines in the siding at St. Mark's, and asking the Council to take steps to abate the nuisance. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to call the attention of the Company to this complaint.

17—National Council for Mental Hygiene—Read, circular from this Association inviting the attendance of delegates to the third biennial conference on Mental Health to be held at London on the 22nd to 24th November next. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

ARTHUR. S. F. PRUEN,

Chairman.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 14th September, 1933; Present Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham; Councillors Lt.-Col. Riggs, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Green, Dr. Hayward, Lipson, P. T. Smith and Yarnold (Alderman. Pates in the chair).

1—**Selection of Tenants and Repairs Sub-Committee**—Read, report of the Sub-Committee at their meetings held on the 8th and 13th instant.

They recommended (inter alia) as follows

(a) 15 Burton Street—That the tender of Mr. H. E. Bardwell of £5 15s. 0d. for carrying out the exterior painting and providing a railing for the front door steps be accepted.

(b) Alstone Lawn Estate—That the offers to purchase two of the houses in course of erection (.)n the Alstone Lawn Estate be not entertained. RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

2—Arrears—The Housing Manager submitted statement of the arrears for the three months ended 8th September last. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration.

3—Whaddon Road Housing Estate—Electricity—The Borough Electrical Engineer attended in regard to the proposal of the Electricity Committee to provide electricity for the 89 houses on this estate. The Borough Treasurer reported that there was sufficient surplus on the loan sanctioned for the erection of the houses to provide for the estimated cost of wiring, etc., provided the sanction of the Ministry of Health was obtained. RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to have the estate canvassed and if sufficient number of tenants require a supply, he be authorised to obtain tenders for carrying out the work.

4—Selection of Tenants—The Rev. Father Coughlin and the Education Secretary attended in regard to the site purchase in Knapp Road for a new Roman Catholic school. RESOLVED, That in the circumstances now explained tot Committee, the tenancy of a house on the Alstone Lawn Estate be granted to the G.W.R. ganger at present living in a house on the site, and which would have to be removed to meet the requirements of the Board of Education.

5-1 and 2 Elm Street—The Sanitary Inspector submitted tenders received for the repairs required to these houses. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. E. A. Eggleton of £25 1s. 0d. (being the lowest) be accepted.

6—Services of Valuation Officers—Read, circular of 25th July last from the Ministry of Health that in view of the urgency of the work of dealing with unhealthy areas, the Board of Inland Revenue had consented to the services of the valuation officers being made available for the purposes both of negotiation and valuation in any case in which a loan sanction is involved for the purposes of acquiring sites etc., for the erection of rehousing accommodation.

7—**Slum Clearance**--Housing Programme—The Committee considered the programme of the Public Health Committee. RESOLVED, That the Ministry of Health be informed that the Council are

prepared to provide the necessary houses for rehousing, and that they estimate that 103 two-bedroom houses and 99 three-bedroom houses will be required of which 15 two-bedroom and 14 three-bedroom houses are now being built on the Alstone Lawn Estate. RESOLVED, That a **Sub-Committee** consisting of the Chairman (Alderman Pates), and Councillors Green, Morris and Yarnold be appointed to inspect suitable sites for the erection of houses under the programme.

8—Building Centre—RESOLVED, That the Chairman (Alderman Pates) and Mr. Rainger be authorised to inspect the model prize cottages erected by the Building Centre in the Strand.

9—Reconditioning of Properties—The Sanitary Inspector reported that at the request of the Minister of Health he had supplied them with a copy of his Paper on " Reconditioning of Unfit Houses in Cheltenham" given by him at a meeting of the General Council and Members of the Sanitary Inspectors' Association recently at Bath,

J. P. PATES, Chairman

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STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 18th September, 1933 Present—The Mayor; Aldermen Pates Sawyer and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Scott Langley, Lipson, Thomas and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair)

1—Stable Manure—RESOLVED, That the offer of Mr. T. Phipps to pay 6s per ton for the stable manure from the Central Depot be accepted, to be terminable by the Corporation at any time on one month's notice.

2—Sydenham Road North—The Borough Surveyor submitted letter from Mr. A. A. Instone offering to give up land for rounding off the corner of Sydenham Road North and Hale's Road subject to the Corporation bearing the cost of building a dwarf wall to the new line and providing an entrance crossing from Hale's Road. RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted.

3—Building Inspector—Duties during Absence—The Borough Surveyor reported that during the Building Inspector's absence from 2nd December to 26th February last and from 26th July to 2nd September his duties had been carried out satisfactorily by Mr. M. James an ex-pupil in his office, who asked that some remuneration should be paid to him for this work. RESOLVED, That he be paid the sum of £25.

4—Flooding—Shelburne Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted letter from the Headmaster of Dean Close School in regard to flooding in Shelburne Road. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to report thereon to the next meeting of the Committee.

5—One-Way Traffic Notices—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit designs and estimates for replacing the temporary One-Way Traffic notices by suitable permanent signs.

6—Whaddon Road—The Committee considered the Plan No. 506 submitted by Naunton Estates Ltd. for the development of the land in Whaddon Road. The Company offered to give up a piece of land

at the junction of Whaddon Road and Prestbury Road to the Corporation for use as an open space and also the land required for widening Prestbury Road, and the construction of the proposed bye-pass road subject to the Corporation agreeing to make up the road and to free them from any liability for making the Prestbury Bye-pass road, and also to construct the road proposed to be made across the land from Prestbury Road to Whaddon Road, The Borough Surveyor reported that he estimated the cost of widening Prestbury Road, and the work necessary in connection with the commencement of the new bye-pass road at £544. RESOLVED, That these proposals be agreed to except as to the cost of constructing the cross road from Prestbury Road to Whaddon Road, which must be borne by the Company.

7—View Meeting—Read, report of the View Committee at their meeting held on the 13th inst Present—Alderman Sawyer and Councillor Scott Langley. They recommended as follows :—

(a) Royal Crescent—That the attention of the Police be called to the obstructions caused by the use of Clarence Parade and North Street by the parking of cars.

(b) Six Chimney Lane—That no objection be raised to the suggested improvement of the land on the Company's side at the junction with Gloucester Road being made at the cost of the Gas Company.

(c) Lane at rear of Parabola Road—That the existing dilapidated and irregular kerbing be replaced as opportunities occur to use up disused kerbing from other places ; and that the sunken footpath adjoining " Marston " be filled up.

(d) Parabola Road—That the footpath adjoining " St. Helen's" and " St. Austin's" be gravelled and surface dressed, and the short length of existing dilapidated paving be removed.

(e) Lansdown Place—That the old lime tree outside The Lypiatts be removed and a new lime tree planted.

(f) Langdon Road—That the tree complained of by Mr. G. A Robinson near No. 2 Leckhampton Road be pruned only.

(g) Trye's Road—That Mr. E. H. Edden's application for the removal of two trees by the gate of Avondene" be acceded to.

(h) London Road—That Mr. E. J. Burrow's application for replacement of tree opposite "Wayside" by a less obstructive tree be not acceded to.

(i) Sydenham Road—That Col R. Bocquet's application for removal of two lime trees overhanging garden of " Petherton " be not acceded to.

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(j) Passage from Pittville Circus Road to Prestbury Road—That the public footpath, especially where disturbed by trees, be repaired : That the owner of " Gwernant " be asked to fill in the hole at the North-East end of the carriageway ; and That the owner of Selkirk House be asked to make good the fence adjoining the public footpath.

(k) Prestbury Road—That Miss Hone's application for the removal of tree by No. 2 Pittville Villas be not acceded to.

(l) Albert Road—That the application of Councillor the Rev. de Courcy-Ireland for removal or replacement of the elm trees near Sandown Lawn be not acceded to

(m) Evesham Road and Clare rice Road—That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the word "Slow " painted on the carriageway at the junction of Clarence Road and Evesham Road

(n) Bath Road—That Mr. L. W. Barnard's application for two trees to be planted outside the General Accident Insurance Co's. premises in Bath Road be acceded to.

(o) Bath Road—That Miss Jewell's application for the erection of a " School " sign near No, 83 Bath Road be not acceded to.

(p) St. Luke's Road—That the mountain ash tree reported by the treeman be removed and a new mountain ash tree planted.

(q) Orrisdale Terrace—That the lime tree reported by the treeman be removed and a silver birch tree planted RESOLVED, That the recommendations of the View Committee be approved and adopted.

8—Naunton Terrace—Read, letter of 21st July last from Mr. C. H. Reason asking the Council to take over this road in view of the land given up by him for widening the same. RESOLVED, That the Committee adhere to their previous decision to bear the cost of making up the land given up for widening the road, but not to take over the liability for making up the other portion of the road.

9—Crescent Place and Crescent Terrace —Read, letters of 29th July and 1st August last from Mr. E. R. Pfaff complaining of the omnibuses using these streets, which he considered were damaging his property. RESOLVED, That no action be taken thereon.

10—High Street—Read, letter of 21st ult. from Messrs. J. Lance & Co. Ltd. asking again for the alteration of the position of the omnibus stop from outside their main entrance. RESOLVED, That the Committee cannot agree to make any alteration as this would bring the omnibuses too near the junction of Pittville Street.

11—Petrol Pump-105 High Street—RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs. H. E. Steel Ltd. for permission to erect a petrol pump with swing arm over the footpath at 105 High Street be adjourned for view.

12—Streamer Across High Street—RESOLVED, That the application of the Palace Theatre for permission to place a streamer across the High Street for one week advertising the film "The Sign of the Cross" be not granted.

13—Projecting Signs—(a) The Chairman reported that he had given permission to the Post Office for Post Office direction signs to be erected on Post Offices at High Street and Keynsham Street projecting over the footpath. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(b) RESOLVED, That the applications of Mr. C. H. Webb and the Franco-British Electric Co for permission to fix projecting signs at Northwood House, Manchester Street and 28 Clarence Street be granted subject to the usual conditions.

(c) 145 High Street—RESOLVED, That the application of the Halford Cycle Co. for permission to fix a sign with a projection of 10 feet at 145 High Street be adjourned for view.

14—Hope Street—Read, report of the Borough Surveyor of damage on 12th instant to the footpath in Hope Street by a lorry belonging to Messrs. Flowers & Sons. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for the cost of making good the damage, amounting to £2 10s. 0d.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 21st September, 1933. Present—Councillors Dr. Hayward, Morris and E. L. Ward : Capt. Leschallas ; Messrs. W. S. F. Harris and W. F. Kensett (Councillor E. L. Ward in the chair)

1—Plans of New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor submitted the I(Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings, namely :—

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
3476	Montague Holmes & Co.	Design of shop front, Tennyson Road.
3582	Billings, A. C. & Sons Ltd.	Motor house, St. Lawrence, Christ Church Road (Amended).
3584	Bayliss, Miss	Additions, Hotel Majestic, Park Place.
3602	Cripps, R.	Alterations to bakehouse and addition of store loft, 161 Bath Road.
3603	Hall, G. A. M.	4 semi-detached houses, Queen's Road.
3604	Dowse, Mrs. C.	New pantry, Batsford, The Park.
3605	Smith, W.	Detached house, Brooklyn Road.
3606	Instone, Mrs. R. L.	4 houses with garages, corner of Sydenham Road and Hale's Road.
3607	Parker, J.	2 semi-detached houses, Hatherley Road.
3608	Rector and Churchwardens of	New schoolroom adjoining Chapel, St Mary's Chapel, High Street.
3609	Brain, T. J.	Detached house, St. George's Road,
3610	Hall, G. A. M.	2 semi-detached houses with garages, West Drive, Pittville (Amended)
3611	Goddard & Hurst, Messrs.	Two semi-detached houses, King's Road.
3612	Winterbotham, Alderman C. F.	Motor house, The Garden House, West Drive, Pittville.
3613	Walsh, C. E.	Motor house, rear 21 Old Bath Road (in lane off Argyll Road).

3614	Ashwin, F. E. J.	Cycle Shed, 8 Hatherley Place, St. Stephen's Road.
3615	Hawkins, G. A.	Motor house, Queensholme, Pittville Circus Road.
3616	Morris, S. C.	Detached house, Christ Church Road.
3617	James, Mrs. S.	Motor house, St. Peter's, Sydenham Road South.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 3476, 3582, 3603, 3606, 3607, 3609, 3610, 3611, 3612, 3613, 3614, 3616 and 3617 be approved ; That Plan No. 3584 be approved subject to the approval of the Public Health Committee as to the erection of the new building over the public sewer on the site That Plans Nos. 3602 and 3608 be approved subject to the drainage and sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector ; and That Plans Nos 3604, 3603 and 3615 be not approved.

9-Town Planning Area—Plans—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings under the Town and Country (General Interim Development) Order, 1933 :—

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
510	Hopcraft, G. P.	Pair of cottages, Southam.
511	Whittaker, H. L.	Pair of cottages, Southam.
512	Whitaker, T. E.	Additions to Monk's Moat, Southam (Preliminary Plan)
513	Brill, F.	Conversion of barn into cottage, Haydon Hill,
514	Poole, A.	House, Tewkesbury Road, Boddington.
515	Cox, Mr.	Porch, Brendaville, Pumphrey's Road, Charlton Kings.
516	Bate, H.	Conversion of house into shop, Parkville, Lyefield Road West, Charlton Kings.
517	Matthews, Dr.	Additions, 8 Charlton Park Gate, Charlton Kings.
518	Bradley, Edwin & Sons	Amended lay-out, Cirencester Road, Charlton Kings.
519	The Misses Burne and Rayner	House, Bowbridge Lane, Prestbury.

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No. of Plan	Name.	Description.
520	Bendall, H. A	Semi-bungalow, Little Witcombe.
521	Hodges, G. F.	Bungalow, Badgeworth Lane, Shurdington.
522	Lane, H. S.	Garage and W.C., Marchmont, Park Estate, Prestbury.
523	Hall, G. A. M.	Layout for 22 houses, Glebe Road, Prestbury.
524	Eaketts, H.	Bungalow, Cheltenham-Shurdington road (near Chargrove Lane).
525	Cole, N. H.	Sheds, Seven Springs Poultry Farm.
526	Cole, A. B.	Poultry houses, Seven Springs Poultry Farm
527	Towers, W. C.	Garage, Tewkesbury Road, Uckington.
528	Birt, T. R.	Shop, Bouncer's Lane, Prestbury.
529	Cluer, G.	Garden shed, Nut Grove, Bouncer's Lane, Prestbury.
530	Boyd, W. H.	Proposed amendment to line of Prestbury Bye-pass at junction with Bouncer's Lane.
531	Trenouth, E.	Lock-up garages, Douro Lodge, Lansdown Crescent

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 513, 515, 517, 522, 523, 525, 526 and 527 be approved ; That consideration of Plan No 510 be deferred for the views of the Council for the Preservation of Rural England ; That Plans Nos 511, 519 and 520 be approved subject to the owners entering into undertakings to dedicate the land 18 feet from the centre of the existing roads for the widening of the roads when required by the Road Authority, and in the case of Plan No. 520 subject to not more than one house being erected on the land ; That Plan No. 512 be approved subject to the owner entering into an undertaking to remove the building at his own cost and without compensation if required by the Road Authority when the new road is constructed ; That Plan No, 514 be approved subject to a condition that the house shall have not less than one half of an acre of land with a frontage to the road of not less than 100 feet ; That Plan No. 516 be approved subject to no business being conducted on the premises which is likely to cause injury or annoyance in the neighbourhood by reason of smoke, noise, dust, fumes or any other cause, and also that the area between the shop and the pavement shall be kept free from all erections whether temporary or permanent ; That Plan No. 521 be approved subject to a corrected site plan being submitted for the approval of the Committee ; That Plan No. 531 be approved subject to the buildings being placed against the back wall, and to the garages being used solely for the use of the occupants of the flats, and not being let or sold for other purposes ; and that Plans Nos. 518, 524, 528, 529 and 530 be not approved.

3—Recreation Ground, Charlton Kings—Read, letter from the Clerk to the Charlton Kings Urban District Council adopting the suggestion made by the Committee for the proposed bye-pass road to be amended to pass along the east side of the recreation ground. RESOLVED, That this alteration be made in the draft scheme.

4—Plan No. 506—The Town Clerk reported the decision of the Street and Highway Committee in regard to the offer of Naunton Estates (Cheltenham) Ltd with respect to the plan submitted by them for the development of the land in Whaddon Road. RESOLVED. That the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Company accordingly.

E. L. WARD,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 1st September, 1933. Present—Aldermen Pates and Sawyer. Councillors Waite and E. L. Ward ; Messrs. H. W. Bennett and E. J. Burrow (Councillor Waite in the chair)

1—Medical Baths—Read, the Monthly Report of the Superintendent.

2—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Reports of the Entertainments Sub-Committee at their Meetings held on the 9th and 21st ultimo and 1st instant.

They recommended (inter alia) as follows:—

(a) Winter Garden Tennis Court—That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to let the covered tennis court on the same terms as last year, the agreements to contain provision to terminate the tenancy on fourteen days' notice.

(b) Winter Dance Band—Having obtained 11 tenders for the provision of a Dance Band for the Winter Season from 21st October, 1933 to 17th April, 1934, to play on Saturdays from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and from 8 p.m. to 11.45 p.m. that the tender of Al Durrant to supply his Band for £9 9s. 0d. per Saturday be accepted subject to agreement to be prepared by the town Clerk being entered into, and subject to the Corporation having the first option of the Band's services on other days throughout the season.

(c) Bar--Having obtained tenders for the right of providing a bar on the occasion of the special Dances at the Town Hall, that the tender of Georges Ltd. to pay per Saturday night Dance and per long night Dance and for long night Dances of special interest such as Boxing night be accepted. Provided that if at the end of the season the payments made do not equal 10 per cent of their receipts Georges Ltd. to make up the payments so as to total 10 per cent.

(d) Town Hall—That permission be given to Messrs. Woodwards and Dale Forty & Co to place one board each on the railings of the Town Hall facing Imperial Square.

(e) Sandford Park—That deck chairs be placed outside the shelter and on the paving near the fountain at the High Street entrance to Sandford Park, and that a charge of 2d. per chair be made.

(f) Boating at Pittville—That the Entertainments Manager be instructed to advertise for tenders for the boating rights at Pittville for one, two or three seasons subject to the conditions as now settled by the Committee.

(g) Winter Garden—That the offer of Messrs. Timson Brothers to take the south transept for one week commencing 4th September for the purpose of a motor accessories exhibition at a rent of £7 10s. plus lighting be accepted subject to Messrs. Timson Brothers undertaking to make good any damage which may be done to the premises.

(h) Summer Orchestra and Band—That the free use of the Town Hall be granted to the Municipal Orchestra for a concert on Saturday, 9th September, the Orchestra to receive the whole of the receipts, and that the band of the Royal Gloucester Hussars be engaged for Sunday, 10th September, to give two performances for the usual fee of £12 12s. 0d.

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

3—Alstone Baths—The Chairman reported that Mr. W. H. Brasher had presented a water Chute for the open-air bath at Alstone. RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to Mr. Brasher for his generous gift

4—Winter Garden—Amusement Fair—Read, letter of 25th instant from Sir. Pat Collins asking to be allowed to open his fair on 2nd December and 1st January without payment of additional rent, and also for permission to open on Christmas Day. RESOLVED, That Mr. Collins be informed that the

Committee are prepared to allow him to open on 2nd December and 1st January, but that they are unable to accede to his request to open on Christmas Day.

5—Winter Music—The Committee considered two tenders received from Mr. Arthur Cole and Mr. Horace Teague for the provision of music for the Winter Season, and the Entertainments Sub-Committee reported that they had interviewed Mr. Arthur Cole and Mr. Horace Teague and recommended that the tender of Mr. Arthur Cole of £26 5s. to provide quartet to play on weekday mornings for 11 hours each morning, an Orchestra of 10 musicians to play every Sunday evening from 8 to 10 p.m., and an octet to play for 4 hours per week as and when required by the Corporation be accepted, any fees which may be received by the Corporation for broadcast concerts to be retained by them. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted, and that the season commence on 16th October and terminate on Sunday, 1st April.

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6—Summer Concerts etc.—The Borough Treasurer submitted statement showing that the receipts from 3rd June to 29th August, 1933, of concerts and summer entertainments amounted to £1,119 as compared with £668 for the period from 14th May to 23rd August last year.

7—Pittville Lake—The Committee considered the reference back by the Council as to the placing of children's paddle boats on the lake in Marle Hill Annexe, RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee when the tenders for the boating rights will be considered.

8—Boxing—The Entertainments Manager reported that as instructed he had communicated with Capt. A. Prince Cox in regard to the promotion of boxing tournaments for next winter season. RESOLVED, That the offer of Capt. Prince Cox to stage one tournament in each of the months of October, November, January, February and March be accepted, Capt. Prince Cox to receive 50 per cent of the receipts with a guarantee of a minimum of £25 for each tournament.

9—Octet--The Entertainments Manager reported that he had provisionally arranged with the B.B.C. for a broadcast of a concert by the octet on September 16th, and to pay Mr. Cole the sum of £8, the Corporation to retain the fee received for the broadcast. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

10—Lectures—RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Manager be instructed to arrange for a series of five lectures to be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday evenings before Christmas on similar terms to last year.

11—Opening Municipal Dance and Sunday Evening Concert—RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to obtain a cabaret for the opening Municipal Dance at a cost not exceeding £10, and also to engage Harold Rubens, the boy pianist, for the opening Sunday evening concert at a cost not exceeding £10.

12—Spa Federation—RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Entertainments Manager be authorised to attend the half-yearly meetings of the Spa Federation.

13—Guy Fawkes' Night—RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Manager be instructed to submit a programme for a bon-fire and carnival night at Pittville on November 4th.

[CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1933]

T. WILFRED WAITE.

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 15th September, 1933. Present—Aldermen Pates and Sawyer ; Councillors Lipson, Pruen, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward and Weech ; Messrs. H. W. Bennett, E. J. Burrow, E. W. Dicks and J. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair),

14—Spa Baths—(a) Read, Monthly Report of the Superintendent.

(b) "Studa" Chair—The Superintendent reported as to the desirability of installing a " Studa" Chair in place of one of the Plombiere treatments. The " Studa" Chair provided the latest, most thorough and most hygienic method of cleansing the large intestine. Dr. J. Howell recommended the provision of this treatment. The price of the Chair was £55, plus the cost of installation. RESOLVED, That one of these Chairs be provided, and that the charge be 7s 6d. per treatment and 21s per course of three treatments.

(c) Swimming Bath—RESOLVED, That the Medical Officer of Health be instructed to report as to the provision of a filtration system for this Bath which the Superintendent recommended should be provided.

15—Alstone Baths—RESOLVED, That the Medical Officer of Health be instructed to report as to the provision of a filtration system for this Bath.

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16—Montpellier Gardens—Councillors Thomas and E. L. Ward reported their inspection of the chestnut tree in these gardens opposite " Willesden," Montpellier Terrace. RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. Powell for the removal of the tree be not granted:

17--Visit of Dr. Schwartzman—The Chairman reported the visit of this German Jewish doctor, who had been inspecting the English Spas. RESOLVED, That the account for his hotel expenses amounting to £2 19s. 8d. be passed for payment.

18—Proposed Swimming Pool--The Committee considered the proposal to construct an open-air swimming pool at Sandford Park playing field and the adjoining allotments. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare plans and estimates for the construction of a pool on the playing field and for the laying out of the playing field on the allotments.

19—Town Hall—RESOLVED, That the free use of the accommodation at the Town Hall be granted for the meeting of the Western Centre of Electrical Engineers' Institution to be held in Cheltenham on 20th November next.

20—Winter Gardens—RESOLVED, That the free use of the South Transept be granted to the Education Committee in connection with the exhibition of handicraft work etc. of the elementary school children from the 27th to 30th October next.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA AND ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE. (Joint Meeting).

At a Joint Meeting of the Town Improvement and Spa and Allotments Committees held on Friday, 15th September, 1933. Present—Aldermen Pates and Sawyer; Councillors Green, Lipson, Morris, Pruen, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, Weech and Yarnold; Messrs H. W. Bennett, E. J. Burrow, A. C. Castle and E. W. Dicks (Councillor Waite in the chair).

1—Proposed Swimming Pool—The Joint Committee considered the proposal to construct a swimming pool on the Sandford Mead and Orrisdale Terrace Allotments, or in the alternative to construct the swimming pool on the Sandford Park playing field and to lay out the playing field on the allotments. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give the tenants of the allotments required three months' notice to quit.

T. WILFRED WAITE, Chairman

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 25th September, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Moore ; Councillors Leigh James, Waite and E. L. Ward (Alderman Moore in the chair)

1—Supply to Rural Areas—(a) Shurdington Scheme—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the overhead lines from Shurdington through Badgeworth and Staverton had now been completed and nearly all the underground cables had been laid.

(b) Two Hedges Lane----Read, letter of 7th instant from the Clerk to the County Council that the County Highways Committee raised no objection to the erection of overhead low tension line in this road subject to the Corporation agreeing to remove or set back the poles at their own cost should the widening of the road be undertaken by the County Council. RESOLVED, That the Council are unable to accept this condition and that the County Council be asked to withdraw this.

(c) Read, letter of 10th ult. from the Electricity Commissioners enclosing sanction to loan of £228 (£194 for a term of 25 years, and £34 for a term of 20 years) for the balance of the loan for the Shurdington Scheme.

2—Empire Marketing Boards—RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to terminate the agreement with the Empire Marketing Board in respect of the Boards erected on Corporation

property and that an offer be made to take these over instead of requiring them to be removed and that if arranged the same should be used for Electricity advertisements.

3—Electric Water Heaters—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Borough Electrical Engineer, That the charge for the hire of storage heaters up to three gallons capacity be fixed at 3s per quarter.

4—Public Lighting (a) The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had now revised the scheme for the improvement of the public lighting so that the cost should not exceed £3,000, and he submitted list of improvements which he proposed to put in hand this year at a total estimated cost of £493 12s 0d. He estimated the increased running cost per annum when these improvements were completed at £102 11s. 3d. per annum. RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to have the work put in hand, and to submit a further section for consideration by the Committee with a view to accelerating the improvement, and charging the cost to next year's accounts

(b) The Park—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that there was a great difficulty in improving the lighting in the Park owing to the large number of trees growing near the road. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to recommend any expenditure for improvement of the lighting in the Park until the trees have been thinned out

5—Damage to Lamp Standards--(a) Read, reports of damage to lamp standards on 29th July and 28th August at the corner of Suffolk Road and Great Norwood Street and the junction of Bath Road and Thirlestaine Road respectively. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for making good the damage.

(b) Read, report of damage to a lamp standard at the corner of Naunton Crescent and Naunton Lane on 5th instant. The Town Clerk reported that he had made a claim for the cost of making good the damage, and now submitted letter from the Zurich General Accident and Liability Insurance Co. Ltd. offering to settle the claim on a halving basis. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to subject to the usual halving agreement being entered into.

(c) Hudson Street—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported wilful damage to a lamp in this street by a boy living in the street. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with the parents of the boy to give them an opportunity of paying the cost of making good the damage before instituting proceedings.

6—Gas Tests—Read, reports of Gas Tests made on 27th July, 3rd, 14th, 20th, 24th, 28th August, and 2nd, 11th and 16th September, which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 472.3, 473.2, 472.4, 478.0, 467.7. 474.8, 471.7 and 475.4 B.Th.U. respectively, and the pressure 4.4, 5.4, 5.2, 4.5, 5.2, 5.5, 5.5, 5.5 and 5.3 inches of water

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held at Tewkesbury on Tuesday, 12th September, 1933, Present—Aldermen Margrett and Moore ; Councillors Green and Morris (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Borough Engineer's Reports—The Monthly Reports of the Borough Engineer for the months of August and September were read :—

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days ended 14th August, 1933	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	115,000 gallons	216,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	200,000 “	369,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	29,000	50,000
Total	344,000	635,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

Estimated Usable Quantity ... about 30,000,000 gallons.

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days ended 10th, September, 1933.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	98,000 gallons	217,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	172,000 “	572,000
Leckhampton Springs	27,000	45,000
Total	297,000	834,000 “

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

Estimated Usable Quantity about 25,000,000 gallons.

2—Inspections—The Borough Engineer reported the work carried out by the Water Inspectors during the months of July and August.

3—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered, and the rates settled and adjusted.

4—Tewkesbury Waterworks—(a) The Committee inspected the progress made with the new Works at Tewkesbury. The Borough Engineer reported that the storage reservoir was progressing satisfactorily, the filter house was practically completed and three out of the four filters had been brought into use, and the new 24 inch main had been coupled up temporarily, and by these means the difficulties of supply during the drought had been overcome. He desired to record his appreciation of the great assistance rendered by the Superintendent of the Works and his staff, and by Mr. E. Earp and Mr. I. C. Jenkins and the other members of his staff.

(b) Read, application from the Superintendent for an increase in salary. RESOLVED, That his salary be increased by 10s a week.

(c) Grant—Read, letter of 15th ult. from the Ministry of Labour that the Ministry were unable to recognise for grant the expenditure in excess of the original estimate of £40,000 on this scheme.

5—Land, London Road—(a) The Town Clerk reported negotiations made with Messrs. Pearce and Sheppard for the purchase of their properties in London Road. RESOLVED, That if necessary the Town Clerk be authorised to serve notices to enter and take possession under the Public Works Facilities Act, 1930.

(b) The Town Clerk reported that Mrs. Burton had agreed to sell her land including compensation for the sum of £450 plus vendor's solicitor's costs and surveyor's fees. RESOLVED, That these terms be agreed to, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance, but that the Town Clerk be authorised to serve notice to enter and take possession if -there is any delay in completing the purchase and giving possession.

6—Accounts—The Borough Treasurer submitted estimate of the waterworks net revenue account for the next few years. RESOLVED, That the sum of £5,000 be transferred from the net revenue reserve account to capital account in lieu of raising loans to that amount as recommended by the Borough Treasurer.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 19th September, 1933. Present The Mayor ; The Deputy mayor; Aldermen Margrett, Pates, Sawyer and Clara F. Winterbotham ; Leigh James, Pruen, Thomas, Waite and E. L. Ward (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Diseases Amongst Animals—(a) Superintendent Wayman reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

(b) Colorado Beetle Order, 1933—The Town Clerk submitted copy of this order which had published as required by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries,

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

Date, 1933.	Place	Cause	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
22nd July	Cakebridge Farm, Prestbury	Not apparent	About £50	£6 16s. 0d.
15th August	Rubbish Tip, Harp Hill	Not apparent	Not known	£5 10s. 6d.
10th September	Marsden Manor, Rencombe	--	—	—
10th September	Orchard, Pilford Avenue	Not apparent	Fruit trees damaged	£5 2s. 6d.

The Brigade had also recently attended two outbreaks of fire particulars of which were not yet available.

3—Hackney Carriage Licence—Transfer--RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. R. J. Payne for the transfer of Licence No. 12 to Taxi Cab Registered No, NX 6070 be granted.

4—Petrol and Carbide 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.

RESOLVED, also, That the following applications for new licences be granted:-

J. W. D. Booth, 2,200 gallons at Granley Service Station, Gloucester Road.

V. Drummond-Henderson, 500 gallons at 22a Bennington Street.

H. E. Steel Ltd. 4,500 gallons at premises in Albion Street.

H. E. Steel Ltd: 500 gallons at premises in High Street

(b) Carbide Licence—RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs. Leighton & Stacey for a licence to store 400 lbs. of carbide in tins at their premises in Providence Square, Fairview. be granted.

5—Land, Rodney Road—The Committee considered the layout and use of the land purchased from the Black & White Motorways Ltd. in Rodney Road, and also letter from the proprietor of the Ellenborough Hotel enquiring whether the Corporation would sell him a strip of land adjoining the rear of the hotel. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that a special meeting of the Committee be held on Wednesday, 27th inst. at 11.30 a.m. to inspect the site.

6—One-Way Traffic Order—(a) Read, letter of 11th ult. from the Ministry of Transport enclosing copies of the Borough of Cheltenham (Traffic Regulation) Amendment Order, 1933, which continued the operation of the One-Way Traffic Order.

(b) Read, letter of 31st ult. from the Ministry of Transport approving for the purposes of the Order, the alteration of the existing notices to conform to the diagram enclosed with the letter. The Ministry asked to be notified when it was proposed to repaint the notices so that the Minister's approval to the amended dimensions of the letters might be given.

7—Increase of Council—Membership of Committees—RESOLVED, That the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, Councillors Pruen and Waite be appointed a Sub-Committee to draw up a scheme for the membership of the Members of the Council on the Committees.

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8—Traffic Control—(a) Suffolk Road and Thirlestaine Road—Read, letter of 16th ult. from the Ministry of Transport in regard to the proposed installation of traffic signals at this junction, and stating that before deciding on the installation of traffic signals at any one junction it was important to consider carefully on their merits the possible requirements of all other road junctions at which traffic control was necessary. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Traffic Sub-Committee, and that they be authorised to report direct to the Council. RESOLVED, also, That Councillor Green be appointed a member of the Sub-Committee.

(b) High Street—The Committee considered a suggestion of the Chairman that large commercial vehicles should be prohibited from unloading in the narrow portion of the Strand after 10 a.m., and also suggestion of Col. Cockshott in regard to the diversion of traffic in this and other parts of the town. RESOLVED, That these suggestions be referred to the Traffic Sub-Committee for consideration.

(c) Montpellier Avenue—Read, memorial from 12 residents in Montpellier Avenue asking the Council to consider the diversion of the heavy traffic via Montpellier Street instead of along Montpellier Avenue. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

9—Omnibus Stopping Places—Read, letter from Mr. T. R. Pritchard asking the Council to alter the omnibus stop from outside his premises at 18 Promenade, as waiting passengers crowded against his window and blocked the entrance. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to make any alteration in the stopping place

10—Traffic Commissioners—Read, circular of 31st ult. from the Ministry of Transport asking the Council to nominate a person for the panel of names from whom the Minister appointed one Traffic Commissioner. RESOLVED. That the Mayor be nominated.

11—Town Clock --Read, letter of 31st ult. from Messrs. F. W. Woolworth & Co. Ltd. that in connection with the alterations to their premises no position could be found for the controlling weights which now came through the centre of the building and if a clock was required it would be necessary to erect either self-contained or an electric clock. RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be asked to obtain tenders for the provision of an electric clock.

12—Royal Crescent Garden—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to continue the negotiations commenced by the late Mr. G. S. Giller for the purchase of this garden for a car park.

13—Bath Road —Read, letter from Mr. C. V. Smith, trustee in the bankruptcy of Mr. C. H. Rainger offering the offices, yard and dwellinghouses 8 and 9 Bath Place and 1 and 2 Bath Parade for sale. RESOLVED, That the purchase of any of these properties be not entertained.

14—River Severn Catchment Board--The Town Clerk submitted scheme made by the Board under Section 4 of the Land Drainage Act, 1930.

15—Street Obstructions etc.—Read, letter from Mr. G. Bradfield complaining of various matters. RESOLVED, That the letter be on the table.

16—Cheltenham Unemployed Advisory Committee—(a) Read, letter from Mr. G. Blagg thanking the Corporation for their contribution of £50, and asking the Council to nominate a representative on the Advisory Committee. RESOLVED, That the Deputy Mayor (Alderman P. P. Taylor) be appointed.

(b) Read, application from the Cheltenham Unemployed Service Club for the use of a football pitch. RESOLVED, That they be granted the free use of a football pitch on the vacant land at St. Mark's Housing Estate.

17—Athletic Ground—The Borough Surveyor submitted report as to various repairs required at the Athletic Ground. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to submit an estimate of the cost of carrying out the work.

18—Aerodrome--RESOLVED, That the Mayor and Councillor E. L. Ward be appointed to attend a conference with representatives of the Gloucester City Council and representatives of the Westgate Motor Co. to consider proposals submitted by the Company.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 27th September, 1933 Present—The Mayor; The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Margrett, Moore, Pates and Sawyer ; Councillors Pruen, Waite and Yarnold (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

19—Rodney Road Land—The Committee inspected this land. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit a plan and estimate for laying out the portion of the site already commenced for use as a Car Park, and that he also be instructed to have the garden portion of site filled up with surplus material as and when available. RESOLVED, also, That the offer of Mr. D. V. Davies to purchase a portion of the land adjoining his premises be not entertained,

20—Superannuation—RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Section 6 of the Local Government etc. Superannuation Act, 1922, the services of Mr. T. S. Pickering be extended to the 1st November next.

CHAS. H. MARGEETT,

Chairman.

TRAFFIC SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, 26th September, 1933. Present—The Mayor; The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore; Councillors Green, Pruen and Thomas (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Proposed Traffic Signals—Read, letter of 21st inst., from Supt. Wayman approving of the installation of traffic signals at the junction of Suffolk Road and Thirlestaine Road with Bath Road, and enclosing statement of the accidents reported at this junction since 1st January, 1928. During the three years ended December, 1930, only one accident was reported. From the 1st January, 1931, the accidents were as follows :—

	Involving Personal Injury.	Not Involving Personal Injury.
1931	13	10
1932	3	9
From 1st January to 31st August, 1933	6	6

The Sub-Committee also considered the installation of traffic signals at other road junctions in the Borough. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Transport for approval of the erection of vehicle actuated traffic control signals at the above mentioned junction, and also at the following :—Junction of Park Place and Suffolk Road ; junction of Hale's Road and Old Bath with London Road junction of Clarence Street and North Street with High Street, and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the necessary census of traffic made as required by the Ministry of Transport in respect of these additional junctions.

2—Strand, High Street—The Sub-Committee considered the question of dealing with the congestion of traffic in the portion of the High Street from Bath Road to Cambray Place. RESOLVED, That the General Purposes Committee be recommended that application should be made for a One-Way Traffic Order in respect of this portion of the High Street, and that traffic proceeding from the direction of Charlton Kings be diverted along Bath Road and Bath Street and Cambray Place.

J. H. TRYE, Chairman.

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ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 11th September, 1933. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Green, Morris, P. T. Smith and Yarnold ; and Mr. F. W. Clarkson (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Allotments Inspection—The Gardens Superintendent submitted report of his monthly inspection of the allotments, and reported that a number of allotments were in a bad state of cultivation. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the tenants of the untidy allotments requiring them to cut down the weeds, and if this is not done, that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have this done, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to give the tenants notice to quit, and to recover the cost of cutting down the weeds from the tenants.

2—Alstone Lawn Allotments—Read, letter from the tenant of Allotments Nos. 10 and 31 offering to take the remaining portion of the adjoining allotment No. 30 which would not be required for building provided the Committee would grant him the allotment rent free until 25th March next to put the same in a tidy condition. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

3—Thefts from Allotments—Read, complaints from tenants in Albert Road and Orrisdale Terrace Allotments in regard to the theft of their produce RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to Supt. Wayman and ask him to take steps to prosecute any persons found stealing from allotments.

4—Orrisdale Terrace Allotments—Swimming Pool—Read, letter from Councillor Waite in regard to the construction of a swimming pool etc. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that a joint meeting of this Committee and the Town Improvement Committee be held on 15th instant to consider the matter.

W. SAWYER, Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 11th September, 1933. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Green, Morris, P. T. Smith and Yarnold (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Stretchers—The Borough Surveyor submitted two tenders for the provision of stretchers for the various recreation grounds. The Gardens Superintendent reported that he did not consider that the provision of stretchers was necessary. RESOLVED, That the stretchers be not purchased.

2—Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—The Borough Surveyor reported that since accepting the tender for the iron railings for the eastern boundary of Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground (about 172 yards) it had been found that the railings quoted for were not sufficiently strong and he now submitted 7 fresh tenders for railings of a stronger type. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. Hayward & Sons Ltd. of 7s 5d. per yard plus 1s 10d. per yard for fixing (being the lowest) be accepted, subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into, and that Minute No. 2 passed at the meeting of the Committee on 12th June last be varied accordingly.

3—Football Pitches—(a) The Chairman reported that since the last meeting he had granted permission for St. Peter's Wednesday A.F.C. and Cheltenham .St. George A.F.C. to play football on Agg-Gardner and Naunton Park Recreation Grounds respectively on alternate Wednesdays during the coming season. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(b) RESOLVED, also, That permission be given to Naunton Park Wednesday A.F.C. and Naunton Park R.F.C. to play football on Naunton Park Ground on alternate Wednesdays and Saturdays respectively during the coming season.

4—Albert Road—Tree—Read, letter from Councillor Rev. de Courcy Ireland asking for the removal of an elm tree outside Sandown Lawn. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Street and Highway Committee for view.

W. SAWYER, Chairman.

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ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 15th September, 1933. Present—Alderman Clara F. a Winterbotham; Councillors Dr. Curling Hayward, W. N. Weech ; and Mr. F. B. de Sausmarez (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Curator's Report--Visas—During July and August 6,432 (against 5,966). Included in these figures was a party of 72 delegates at the 13th Annual Conference of the Midland and South-Western Counties Convention of Bee-Keepers.

Receipts—Catalogues, Postcards, "Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund," £1 13s. 11d.

Exhibitions—The Permanent Collection had been hung since 10th July.

2—Donations—Mr W. Barwell, Roman coin ; Miss J. Bond, 2 Victorian Parasols ; Major J. G. N. Clift, Brass Pastry Jigger ; The Hon. Lady Henniker Heaton, Quilt, bearing coat of arms and crest, piece of Point d'Alencon lace, 3 pieces of Chinese embroidery, Baby's garment, and Hair bangle ; Col. M. J. King-Harman, Medal commemorating the proclamation of Queen Victoria as Empress of India, 1877 , Mr. E. J. Newth, 2 local prints; Mr. S. D. Scott, Portrait etching of Joseph Conrad, and Log rake ; Mr. P. Morley Stallard, 3 molars; Dr. H. B. Todd, Portrait of Sir Brook Kay ; The Mayor (Capt. J. H. Trye), 4 pieces of Quartzite ; Mrs. E. L. Williams, Giant Jug of Leeds Pottery ; Miss B. Willmott, Collection of cartoons from "Punch."

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

3—Loans—Miss K. Edwards, 2 smokers' pipes, early 17th century; Mrs. B. Mascie Taylor, 4 Water-colours; Dr. J. Curtis Webb, Gingerbread stamp, time of George III, used at Tewkesbury Fair, Tray found on Cotswold Farm, said to have been painted by George Moreland ; Mr. A. W. Newport, Wine pot in Dutch Delft, and Goblet in Bristol Glass ; Mr. S. D. Scott, Replica of the Alfred Jewel ; Mrs. E. Law, Burmese curtain.

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

4—Gibraltar House—RESOLVED, That Gibraltar House be let to Mr. D. W. Hart, at £55 per annum, plus rates, as from 29th September, and that a new fire-grate be fixed in the Kitchen, subject to an agreement prepared by the Town Clerk,

5—Show-case—RESOLVED, That the Curator's purchase of show-case for £2 2s. 0d. be confirmed

6—" Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund "—RESOLVED, That one Nailsea drinking Glass, two Nailsea Lemon Glasses, one inkwell of Fulham Pottery, one Leeds Pottery jug, and model of Belas Knapp be purchased for £9 4s 6d.

7—Exhibitions—RESOLVED, That the Exhibition of the 5th Victoria and Albert Collection of Water-colours be arranged for December, 1933, to February, 1934, inclusive.

8—Extension of Art Gallery and Museum Hours—RESOLVED, That the matter be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 22nd September, 1933. Present—Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Green, Thomas and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of the Superintendent for the period from 22nd July, 1933 to 22nd September, 1933. Interments 99 ; Grave Spaces sold 28 (First Position 4, Second Position 4, Third Position 1, Fourth Position 19) ; Memorials erected 32 ; New Inscriptions 17.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8823 to 8850 (both inclusive).

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following Designs be approved:—Cross, Bases and Kerbing to graves of John Henry Grant, Mary Janet Hughes, Thomas Samuel Brumby, and Marion Butler Colmer ; Headpiece, Kerbing and Posts to grave of Mary Alice Newman ; Headstone and Kerbing to graves of Mary Maria Cummings, Thomas Herbert Hawley, Fred Stopforth, Joan Crawley, Thomas William Harris, John Morris and Ann Morris, Jessie Grave, Florence Ellen Jelf, and Charles James Saunders ; Headstone to grave of Gertrude Eliza Sullivan ; Kerbing and Posts to graves of Emily Jefferies, and Lottie Williams ; Granite Block and Kerbing to grave of George Wallace Peat ; Kerbing to graves of Lucy Champney, Edith E. Davis, George Evesham and Grave No. 8263 J ; Granite Ledger to Eleanor Elliott.

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 7th September, 1933. Present—Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Curling Hayward, Lipson, Thomas, Weech and Yarnold; and Messrs. H. J. Norris and F. Vernall (Councillor Thomas in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report for July and August—Receipts £21 19s. 5d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 11,179 (last year 10,866); Lending Department 32,200 (last year 31,091) ; Junior Department 3,405 (last year 4,732). Total for the two months 46,784 (last year 46,689).

Binding and Replacements-536 volumes had been returned from the Binder, and 98 volumes had been replaced.

Staff—Miss B. Otterburn had been appointed Junior Assistant at 12s 6d per week. Miss H. C. Wise and Miss M. Nealon had passed the Latin test of the Library Association, Miss Wise with Honours.

2—Donations—Anonymous (5 vols.) ; Mr. A. W. Bryant (2 vols.) ; Miss E. M. Buckingham (11 vols.) ; Messrs, Ed. J. Burrow & Co. (24 guides) ; The Compiler, c/o Cambridge University Press (1 vol.) ; Cheltenham and Gloucester Building Society (1 vol.) ; The College of Preceptors (1 vol.) ; Messrs. E. F. Cope & Co. (1 vol.) ; Mr. E. Courtney Gardner (1 vol.) ; Colonel de H. Haig (41 vols.) ; Mr. V. Holman (10 vols.) ; Miss Hough (5 vols.) ; Mr. F. C. Morgan (1 vol.) ; Rev. J. H. P. O'Connor (1 vol.) ; Mr. T. G. Phillips (2 vols.) ; Messrs. J. & J. Paton (1 vol.) ; Miss Rangel (1 vol.) ; Mr. J. S. Pickering (149 vols.). RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

3—Minutes of the Proceedings of the Institution of Civil Engineers—RESOLVED, That the Librarian be authorised to offer the set from volume 1, 1837, to volume 233, 1932, to the Cheltenham Technical College or other like institution.

4- Books—RESOLVED, (a) That 91 volumes, published at £43 17s 0d., be purchased for £18 5s. 8d. (b) That the sum of £30 be spent on Binding. (c) That the sum of £20 be spent on Replacements.

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5—Periodicals—Readers' Suggestions—RESOLVED, That the purchase of "The Economist" be reconsidered at the next meeting, and that the purchase of " The Journal of Education be not entertained.

6—Cheltenham Quarterly—RESOLVED, That the offer of the New Centurion Publishing Co, Ltd., to re-issue this publication without cost to the Library Committee for 12 months, be accepted with thanks

7—Coke Supply—RESOLVED, That the quotation of the Cheltenham and District Gas. Co., for the supply of coke for the winter at 28s 8d per ton, be accepted.

8—Lectures—RESOLVED, That the Librarian's suggestions for the arrangement of lectures to be given in the Art Gallery from October to December be approved.

9—Date of Next Meeting--RESOLVED, That the next meeting of this Committee take place on 10th November, 1933.

H. W. THOMAS,

Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 4th August, 1933, Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore ; Councillors Dr. Hayward, Thomas, Waite and E. L. Ward (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Remission of Rates—The Committee interviewed and dealt with applicants for the excusal of Rates.

2—Unpaid Rates—Defaulters—The Committee interviewed and dealt with persons who had not complied with the Orders of the Magistrates for payment of Rates, and gave instructions for Committal Orders to be applied for, but in some cases to be suspended whilst weekly payments as now settled by the Committee were regularly paid.

[CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1933].

P. P. TAYLOR, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 25th September, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

3—Proposals—The Committee considered the 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.

4—Unpaid Rates—Defaulters—The Committee interviewed and dealt with persons who had not complied with the Orders of the Magistrates for payments of Rates, and gave instructions for Committal Orders to be applied for, but in some cases to be suspended whilst weekly payments as now settled by the Committee were regularly paid.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 26th September, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Moore ; Councillors Leigh James, Waite and E. L. Ward (The Deputy Mayor 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 £98,334. Leaving outstanding £5,264.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 23rd inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 30th September, 1933. Amount collected £19,200. Leaving outstanding £543.

3—Housing Bonds--The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting £500 had been received for 3 per cent Housing Bonds and that certificates had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

4—Sanction to Loans—The Town Clerk reported the receipt of the following sanctions :—

Date, 1933.	Purpose.	Amount.	Period of Repayment.
11th September	Flooding Prevention Scheme, College Road District	£810	20 years.
11th September	Flooding Prevention Scheme, College Road District	£1,121	30 years.

5—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on 26th inst. Present—The Deputy Mayor and Councillor E. L. Ward (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted,

6—Loans—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £2,671 2s. 4d. on loan. RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans

(b) RESOLVED, That the terms proposed for the renewal of Debentures amounting to £35,705 be approved and the Debentures endorsed accordingly.

7—Short Term Mortgages—The Borough Treasurer reported that as the Scottish Widows' Fund Life Assurance Society were unwilling to postpone the advance of the intended loan of £50,000 to the beginning of next year he had now arranged with the County Fire Office to whom a loan of £26,000 was repayable on the 30th September, to renew the loan for a period of 20 years at interest at 3 ½ per cent., and also to advance a further loan of £25,000 in March next on the same terms. This would save the commission for loan and also stamp duty on the loan of £26,000 to be renewed. RESOLVED, That the renewal of loan of £26,000 be approved and that the Common Seal be affixed to a Mortgage for securing the repayment of the further loan of £25,000.

8—Bank Account—The Borough Treasurer submitted correspondence with Lloyds Bank Ltd. setting out the revised terms offered by the Bank in connection with the Corporation accounts as from 30th inst. RESOLVED, That the revised terms be accepted.

9—Superannuation—The Borough Treasurer reported that H. G. Healey (Yardman) had resigned, RESOLVED, That he be refunded the amount of his contributions amounting to £30 3s. 11d.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 26th October, 1933.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on MONDAY, the 30th day of October, 1933, 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 Meeting.
2. Communications by the Mayor.
3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE 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 RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE

4. To appoint three Cleeve Common Conservators to fill vacancies caused by the expiration of the terms of office of Aldermen Margrett and Moore and Mr. John Waghorne.

5. To appoint members of Education Committee to fill vacancies caused by expiration of terms of office of the Rev. Canon P. M. C. Johnstone, Mr. A. C. White, Mr. A. G. Dye and Mrs. E. Marshall, and also to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of the Rev. W. E. Beck as follows :—

(1) A representative of the Grammar School.

(2) A representative of the Local Teachers Association.

(3) Two Members representing the Managers of Non-Provided Schools.

(4) A person acquainted with the needs of the various kinds of Schools.

6. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

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, 2nd October, 1933, at 3 p.m.

Present :

The Mayor (Councillor Capt. John Henry Trye, C.B.E., R.N., J.P.) in the chair.

The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Peter Philip Taylor, J.P.).

Aldermen Moore, Pates, Sawyer and Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P. Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, O.B.E., Hey. (le Courcy-Ireland, M.A., Green, Dr. Hayward, M.B., Leigh James, Scott Langley, Lipson, M.A., Miller, Morris, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, J.P. Weech, M.A. and Yarnold.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting--Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 4th September, 1933. 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.

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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 11

Housing Meeting held September 14

Street and Highway Meeting held September 18

Subject to an Amendment moved by Councillor Miller and seconded by Councillor P. T. Smith : " That Minute No. 10 in regard to the alteration of the omnibus stop in High Street be referred back for further consideration."

Town Planning Meeting held September 21

Subject to an Amendment moved by Councillor Pruen and accepted by the Chairman : " That the resolution to Minute No. 1 in regard to Plan No. 3,584 be amended by omitting the words subject to the approval of the Public Health Committee as to the erection of the new building over the public sewer on the site ' and adding the following words : That the consent of the Council be given to the erection of the building over the sewer subject to the owner entering into an agreement to pay the cost of reconstructing the sewer and necessary manholes with an iron pipe estimated at £40, and also that in the event of the Corporation having hereafter to replace or repair the sewer any additional cost of such work due to the erection of the building over the sewer shall be borne by the owner.' "

Town Improvement and Spa... Meetings held September 15 and 29

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Rev. de Courcy Ireland and seconded by Councillor Miller : " That Minute No. 18 in regard to the proposed swimming pool be not approved, and that the scheme be not entertained for the present " was lost).

Town Improvement and Spa. and Allotments (Joint Meeting) ... Meeting held September 15

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held September 25

Subject to an Amendment moved by Councillor Pruen and seconded by Councillor Lipson : " That Minute No. 2 in regard to the Empire Marketing Boards be referred back for further consideration."

Water Meeting held September 12

General Purposes and Watch Meetings held September 19 and 27

Subject to the following Amendments :—

Moved by Councillor Lipson and seconded by Councillor Weech: " That Minute No. 18 in regard to the proposed Aerodrome, be referred back."

Moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by Alderman Sawyer, " That Minute No. 13 in regard to the purchase of the property in Bath Road be amended, and that the words at present ' be added to the resolution."

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(An Amendment moved by Councillor Weech : " That Minute No. 9 in regard to the bus stopping place in the Colonnade be referred back " was not seconded).

Resolved, also, That Mr. Walter Middleton and Miss M. N. Nealon, assistants at the Public Library, be added to the Superannuation Scheme to fill the designated posts vacated by Miss Griffin and Miss Townsend.

Resolved, also, That in regard to the Town Clock the Council agree to the temporary removal of this if necessary, and that the question of providing a self-contained clock be further considered by the Committee."

Traffic Sub-Committee Meeting held September 26

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Lt.-Col. Biggs : " That the provision of automatic traffic signals at the junction of Great Norwood Street with Suffolk Parade and Suffolk Road be added to Minute No. 1 " was not seconded).

Allotments Meeting held September 11

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held September 11

Resolved, also, That the application of the Post Office Telephone Department for consent to erect a telephone pole in Whaddon Lane Recreation Ground be granted subject to the exact position of the pole being approved by the Borough Surveyor and to payment of an annual acknowledgment of 1s per annum, the consent to be terminable by either party on three months notice in writing.

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held September 15

Burial Board Meeting held September 22

Public Library Meeting held September 7

Subject to an Amendment moved by Councillor P. T. Smith: " That Minute No. 7 in regard to the supply of coke be referred back."

Rating Meeting held September 25

Finance Meeting held September 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, and such additional sums as may become payable during the month in respect of current Contracts upon the Certificate of the Architect or Officer under whom the work is carried out.

J. H. TRYE, 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, 30th October, 1933.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 9th October, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Clara F. Winterbotham, Margrett and Moore ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Dr. Hayward, Rev. de Courcy Ireland, Leigh James, Morris, Pruen, Waite, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor Pruen in the chair).

1—Insanitary Property at 1 and 2 Railway Bank, Granley Road—The Committee having considered the representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses are satisfied that the said houses are occupied or are of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and are unfit for human habitation in the respect mentioned in the said official representation, and that they are capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit for human habitation RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Sub-section 1 of Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1930, notices be given to the persons having control of the houses requiring them to execute the works to be specified in the notices which will in the opinion of the Committee render the houses fit for human habitation.

2—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. and 2 Railway Bank, Granley Road ; and 5 Russell 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.

3—Nuisances from Drains etc. at (a) 61, 63 and 65 St. James' Street ; and 1 and 2 Royden Cottages, Albion 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 premises 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 Sydenham Villas 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 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 specified work within 28 days.

(c) Station Street—The Committee interviewed six Owners of houses in Station Street in regard to their applications to repay by instalments the cost of the drainage work executed at their premises. RESOLVED, That monthly instalments as now settled MT the Committee be accepted.

-1---Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) 207 High Street (part of)—The Sanitary Inspector reported that he had inspected the part of these premises used for human habitation. The Rota Sub-Committee also reported their inspection of the premises, RESOLVED, That the Council are satisfied that the above mentioned parts of the said building is occupied or is of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes and is unfit for human habitation, and is not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, and that notice be served upon the person having control of the house, Owner thereof, and mortgagee, if any, of the time and place at which the

condition of the said part of the said house and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or future user thereof, will be considered by the Council when any of the above mentioned persons will be entitled to be heard.

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(b) 4 Albert Street, St. Peter's ; 16 Elm Street ; 228 Swindon Road ; 3 Higgs Cottages ; 57a Duke Street ; 23a Duke Street ; 47 and 47a Sherborne Street ; 17, 17 ½ , and 23a Burton Street—The Committee considered official representation of the Medical Officer of Health in regard to these houses and also report of the Rota Sub-Committee thereon. RESOLVED, That the Council being satisfied that the above mentioned dwellinghouses are unfit for human habitation and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, notices be given under Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, to the Owners, to the persons having control of the houses, and Mortgagees, if any, that the condition of the said houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of the works or the future user of the houses will be considered at a meeting of this Committee to be held on the 13th November next.

(c) Arle Mill Cottages—The Committee further considered the question of making a Demolition Order in respect of these premises, and Mr. J. R. Brown, the owner, attended and stated that he had obtained one tender for repairing the property but wished to obtain other tenders. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for one month to enable him to do so.

(d) 352-370 Gloucester Road—The Committee further considered the question of making Demolition Orders in respect of these premises, and Mrs. Watts and Mr. W. H. Jessop attended. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

(e) 27 and 29 Jersey Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the necessary works to render these houses fit for human habitation had been executed by the owner to his satisfaction. RESOLVED, That the Undertaking given by the owner in respect of these houses and Nos. 25 and 25a Jersey Street be cancelled in so far as it relates to Nos. 27 and 29 Jersey Street.

5—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 9 lbs. Mutton ; 1 qr., 23 lbs. Beef ; 5 cwt. 2 qrs. 24 lbs. Pork ; 1 qr. 14 lbs. Fowls ; 2 qrs. 24 lbs. Kippers ; 3 lbs. tinned prawns and lambs livers.

6—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—(a) RESOLVED, That the applications of W. E. Welch of Staverton ; Naylor Bros., Manor Farm, Withington ; R. C. Norman, 1 Ledmore Villas, Ryeworth Road ; R. Rose, of 13 Victoria Road ; Longford ; C. W. Russell, of Swindon Hall Farm ; C. F. Morgan of 144 Tewkesbury Road ; and F. A. Bunston of 70a Regent Street to be registered as Retail Purveyors of Milk within the Borough be granted subject to compliance with the usual conditions.

(b) RESOLVED, also, on the recommendation of the Medical Officer of Health, that the application of Mr. A. Spencer of 4 Linden Terrace, Cleveford Street to be registered as a Retail Purveyor of Milk within the Borough be not granted.

7—Public Conveniences—(a) Queen's Head, Tewkesbury Road—Councillors Lt -Col. Biggs, Dr Hayward and Leigh James reported their inspection of the public convenience opposite the Queen's

Head, Tewkesbury Road, and recommended that this should be removed and not replaced. RESOLVED, That the Committee agree to the removal of the present convenience, but that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit an estimate of the cost of replacing this in a suitable position.

(b) St. Mark's—The Committee considered the reference back by the Council of Minute No. 11.

(b) passed at the last meeting of the Committee. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that the Electricity and Lighting Committee be asked whether a site can be provided on the land purchased for the electricity undertaking at the corner of Church Road and Gloucester Road opposite the Lansdown Castle,

8—River Chelt—The Borough Surveyor submitted report on the condition of the River Chelt from the L.M.S. Goods Yard to Sandford Mill on the 15th ult., together with a list of the obstructions and defects. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to proceed forthwith with the removal of obstructions etc., throughout the course of the river, including the bricks etc., in the river adjoining Carbon House at a cost of not exceeding £200, and also to require the riparian owners to make good any structural defects of culverts and retaining walls, etc.

9—Chelt Main Sewer—The Borough Surveyor reported that advantage had been taken of the recent dry weather to examine the Chelt main sewer. The inspection revealed a leak at Sandford Park, and in some places repairs were required and silt removed, and as this work could not be deferred, he had attended to these. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

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10—Extension to Sewer—(a) Brooklyn Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. E. J. Cook had submitted a plan for the erection of a house at the north end of Brooklyn Road between Arle Road and the watercourse. There was no sewer along this portion of the road and he estimated the cost of extending this at about £400. The Town Planning Committee had adjourned consideration of the plan pending consideration by this Committee. RESOLVED, That the Committee are not prepared to recommend the Council to extend the sewer until there is sufficient building development to warrant this, and that the Town Planning Committee be informed that this Committee consider that it is undesirable to allow the house to be built without the sewer being extended

(b) Arle End Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted plan for four houses in Arle Village, The Borough Surveyor estimated the cost of extending the sewer at £40. RESOLVED, That the extension be made subject to the owner depositing £40 to be refunded as and when the houses are completed.

11—Flooding—(a) Abbotsford, Old Bath Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted letter from the Midland Bank Executor and Trustee Co, Ltd. in regard to the periodical flooding at Abbotsford, Old Bath Road.

(b) St. George's Terrace and St. George's Place—The Committee considered memorial received from residents in St. George's Terrace and St. George's Place, complaining of flooding.

(c) RESOLVED, That consideration of these two matters be adjourned for consideration by the **Flooding Sub-Committee**, and that the Sub-Committee be requested also to consider a scheme for the prevention of the flooding in the High Street, and also a sewerage system for the northern area of the Borough.

12—Dust Nuisance--Dammann Asphalt Works—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the nuisance caused by the emission of dust from these works had to a large extent been remedied. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

13—Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933—RESOLVED, That consideration of this Act, and of the circular from the R.S.P.C.A. be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

14—Health Department—The Sanitary Inspector reported that Mr. A. C. F. Gisborne, pupil in his department, had passed the examination of Sanitary Inspectors. RESOLVED, That his salary of 5s per week be continued until the 31st December next.

15—Milk (Special Designations) Order—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. H. C. Pumphrey of Benhall Dairy, Great Norwood Street, to be registered as a retailer of certified milk be granted, the licence to expire on the 31st December next.

16—Annual Report of Medical Officer of Health—The Town Clerk submitted circular of 2nd inst. from the Ministry of Health in regard to the contents and arrangement of the annual report of the Medical Officer of Health for 1933. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Medical Officer of Health.

ARTHUR S. F. PRUEN,

Chairman.

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HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 12th October, 1933. Present—Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham: Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Green, Dr. Hayward, Leigh James. D. L. Lipson, Morris and P. T. Smith (Alderman Pates in the chair).

1—**Selection of Tenants and Repairs Sub-Committee**—Read, reports of the meetings of the Sub-Committee held on the 21st and 28th ult., and 6th instant. They recommended (inter alia) as follows (a) Alstone Lawn Estate—That no applications for transfers to Alstone Lawn Estate from tenants on other Estates be considered until the applications from tenants of houses to be demolished have been dealt with.

(b) St. Paul's Estate—That the employment of Mr. Tye as caretaker of this estate be continued for a period of 12 months on the same terms, namely a net wage of 10s per week.

(c) Arrears of Rent—The Sub-Committee had also interviewed and dealt with five tenants in arrear with their rent. and gave instructions for the issue of summonses to be deferred whilst weekly instalments as settled by the Sub-Committee were regularly paid.

(d) New Roads—That the General Purposes Committee be recommended to name the road on the Alstone Lawn Estate " Pates Avenue," and the new road off Spenser Road " Wordsworth Avenue."

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

2—St. Mark's Housing Estate—(a) The Selection of Tenants and Repairs Sub-Committee reported that they had considered the replies received from tenants to the circular sent to them in regard to the payment of an increased rent, and having considered each case on its merits, they submitted list of 14 tenants whom they considered were not in a position to pay the increased rent and should be exempt. The Sub-Committee now submitted a list of 105 further tenants on the Estate to whom they recommended the circular letter should be sent so that these cases could be investigated.

RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved.

(b) Read, letter from the Chief Constable that the County Council had decided not to consider the purchase of the houses let to them, and occupied by the police constables, and enclosing statement of the means and number of dependents of the men occupying the ten houses. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Sub-Committee

3—Report of Housing Manager--The Housing Manager submitted her monthly report. RESOLVED, That the tenant of 7 Elm Street be required to discontinue keeping ducks

4—Building Centre—The Chairman and Mr. Rainger reported their inspection of the model prize cottages erected by the Building Centre in the Strand Although the houses were of the three-bedroom type, the Ministry of Health- only recognised them as affording the accommodation of a two-bedroom house for the purposes of Subsidy. They did not recommend that the Corporation should include any of these houses in their next contract. RESOLVED, That a copy of the report be sent to the Building Centre for their information.

5—Alstone Lawn Estate—(a) Read, letter of 5th instant from Messrs. Copp Bros. Ltd asking the Council to pay the retention money on their account into a separate deposit account at the Bank, and allow them the interest accruing thereon to be paid when the retentions become due. This provision was contained in the model form of contract issued by the Ministry of Health, and it was an oversight on their part not to have asked for the provision in their contract. RESOLVED, That this request be not agreed to.

(b) Flats for Aged Persons—As instructed, Mr. Rainger submitted plans and estimates for the erection of one block of 8 flats on some spare land on the Alstone Lawn Estate. The flats comprised living room, bedroom and kitchen scullery, and he estimated the cost of erecting the flats at £125 per flat, plus the sum of £15 for the cost of making up the land. The Town Clerk reported that the Ministry of Health would recognise the flats as accommodating two persons which would entitle the Corporation to a Subsidy of £4 10s. 0d. per flat per annum, and the Corporation would have to contribute £3 15s. 0d. per flat per annum. The Borough Treasurer reported that on this basis and allowing £5 10s. 0d. per annum per flat for repairs etc., and also cost of site, road and sewers. the flats could be let at an inclusive rent of 3s 6d. per week. RESOLVED, That the Committee do not recommend the Council to provide the flats.

(c) Shop Site—The Town Clerk submitted application from Mr. F. Holtham to purchase a site with a frontage feet to Gloucester Road for the erection of a baker's and confectioner's shop and dwellinghouse combined, with the valuation of the District Valuer. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to sell the land at per foot, namely £136, and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sale.

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6—Conference—Read, circular from the National Housing and Town Planning Council inviting the attendance of delegates to a national conference to be held at Malvern from the 24th to 27th November next. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed, but that the Housing Manager be authorised to attend as the delegate of the Women House Managers Association.

7—Whaddon Lane Housing Estate—Electricity—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported the result of the canvass made of the 89 tenants on this estate. 78 were desirous of having electricity installed, 7 did not require it, and 4 were indifferent, and 65 of the 78 tenants also wished to use electricity for heating as well as lighting. He now submitted five tenders received for wiring the houses. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. F. H. Bastin & Sons of £559 12s. 0d. (being the lowest) be accepted subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health being obtained and to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the expenditure of wiring the houses being charged to the loan for the erection of the houses on which there was an unexpended balance of £1,140.

8--Slum Clearance—Sites—The Committee considered offer to sell the land off Gloucester Road, known as The Vineyards, for the erection of houses. RESOLVED, That the purchase of this site be not entertained.

9—Sale of House-14 Milton Road—The Town Clerk submitted offer from Mr. T. W. Caudle to purchase this house at the price of £360. RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health being obtained, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the conveyance RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sale.

10—Arrears of Rent—RESOLVED, That the sum of £58 18s. 8d. due from past tenants as set out in the list now signed by the Chairman be written off as irrecoverable.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 16th October, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Aldermen Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham. ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Lipson and Thomas (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Sydenham Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted further application from Lt.-Col. R. Bocquet for two lime trees in Sydenham Road overhanging " Petherton " to be cut back. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the trees cut back as far as they overhang Col. Bocquet's premises.

2—Shelburne Road—Flooding—The Borough Surveyor reported that the flooding complained of by Dean Close School was due to the insufficiency of the surface water drain, and as it would be somewhat costly to lay a larger surface water drain, he suggested that the flooding might be remedied by providing an overflow from the present drain to discharge into the sewer, but before deciding upon this he recommended that information as to the levels to which both the sewage and storm water rise should be obtained. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved.

3—Passage from Pittville Circus Road to Prestbury Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that as instructed he had written to the abutting owners requiring them to repair the defective roadway and fence in this passage, and that both these matters had now been attended to.

4-- Engineering Assistant—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from Mr. I. C. Jenkins, Engineering Assistant for an increase in salary. RESOLVED, That his salary be increased to £375 per annum.

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5-View Meeting-Read, Report of the meeting of the view Committee held on the 11th instant Present—The Mayor (in the chair) Alderman Pates ; and Councillor Scott Langley. They recommended as follows:-

(1) High Street—That the Halford Cycle Company's application for a large projecting sign at No. 145 be not granted but that they be allowed to erect a sign which complies with the conditions.

(2) High Street—Bus Stop at Lance & Co,—With regard to the Minute No 10 of the last meeting referred back by the Council that the previous decision be adhered to

(3) High Street—That H. E. Steel's application for a swing arm to petrol pump at No. 105 be granted subject to the usual agreement being entered into.

(4) Pittville Circus Road—That Brig.-Gen. J. Miles' application for the removal or pollarding of tree outside " Strathdurn " be not acceded to.

(5) Gardner's Lane—That with regard to Councillor Rev. E. S. de Courcy-Ireland's complaint, the footpath adjoining Swindon Road Schools be repaired and tarsprayed subject to the Education Committee as the abutting owners agreeing to pay the cost, and that no other work be done in connection with the road except a soak-away in the playing field at the back to take surface water off road.

(6) junction of Andover Place and Lypiatt Road—That with regard to Dr. Allman Powell's letter, a sign directing to Gloucester be fixed on the wall of No. 2 Lypiatt Lawn at the junction of Andover Place

and Lypiatt Road and that a similar sign be fixed on the wall of house at the junction of Tivoli Road and Andover Road.

(7) Hatherley Road—That with regard to Mrs. E. S. Huddart's letter, the owner of "Glentworth " be informed that the Corporation will fell the trees which are built into the wall if he will make good the wall.

(8) Leckhampton Road—Footpath between Church Road and Murray Lindner's premises—That with regard to Mr. H. St. Clair Hall's letter, the owners of a number of houses at the Church Road end be asked if they will raise the sills of the entrance gates and the garden paths to permit of the footpath being raised to give a fall to the verge ; and that if the owners agree, the footpath be gravelled and surface dressed.

RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted. RESOLVED, also, That Superintendent Waxman be asked to consider and report as to the desirability of Bus stops near Cross roads being fixed on the further side of the Cross road in the direction in which the omnibus is proceeding.

6—Advertising Vehicles—The Town Clerk submitted application from the Rev. J. G. Bevan for permission to use a handcart in the streets advertising meetings to be held in Cheltenham in connection with the Evangelist Campaign. RESOLVED, That the Council are unable to grant the application.

7—North Gloucester Motor Traders Association—Read, letter from this Association, asking the Committee to meet a small deputation to discuss several matters which had recently been under consideration by their Association. RESOLVED, That the deputation be asked to attend the next meeting of the Committee subject to the matters to be raised being first communicated to the Town Clerk.

8—Tivoli Place—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. A. A. Instone for permission to erect a petrol pump with swing arm over the footpath at 9 Tivoli Place be granted subject to the pump being painted green and to standard sign in accordance with the Byelaws being erected and to the usual agreement to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

9—Borough Surveyor—Read, letter of 26th ult., from the Ministry of Transport stating that the Minister was unable to agree to the proportion of Mr. Marsland's salary for the purposes of grant from the Road Fund being fixed at more than £320 per annum. RESOLVED, That £320 of the Borough Surveyor's salary be apportioned in respect of his duties as Road Surveyor and that two-fifths of the biennial increments also be apportioned to his salary as Road Surveyor.

10—Petrol Filling Stations—The Town Clerk reported that the Byelaws made by the Council in respect of Petrol Filling Stations confirmed on the 1st October, 1931, became applicable to Filling Stations within the prescribed area on the 13th inst. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to circularise owners of petrol filling stations in the areas referred to in the Byelaws pointing out that the Corporation must now require the stations to be altered and painted and only the standard sign erected in accordance with the Byelaws.

11—Empty Haulage Charges—Read, circular from the Railway Clearing House that it had been decided to inaugurate the scheme of commuted annual payments in respect of the empty haulage of private owners' wagons as from the 1st July last, and enclosing form of agreement accordingly. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to sign the form of agreement on behalf of the Corporation

J. H. TRYE, Chairman.

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MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 16th October, 1933. Present—Alderman Clara Winterbotham ; Councillors Rev. de Courcy-Ireland, Dr. Hayward. Leigh James, Lipson and J. F. Ward ; Mesdames E. Booy, L. Grist, and W. L. Mellersh (Councillor Leigh James in the chair).

1—Cheltenham Infant Welfare Association—Quarterly Report—Read, Report for the Quarter ended 30th September, 1933

The average attendances at the Centres per meeting had been as follows :—

	Infants.	Toddlers.
At Baker Street (11 Meetings)	29	23
At Clare Street (10 Meetings)	13.4	13
At Highbury (10 Meetings)	39.1	39.8
At St. Mark's (10 Meetings)	29.8	19.5

2—Health Visitors—Quarterly Report—The following is a summary of the work during the Quarter ended 30th September,

1933 .—

No. of Children on Register	2,443
" Children Visited (1 year and under) ...	576
" " (over 1 year)	516
" Un-notified Births discovered	5
" Still Births discovered	2
" Home Visits paid by Health Visitors...	1,606
" First Visits paid by Health Visitors ...	155
" Attendances of Health Visitors at Centres	47
" Children remitted to Hospital	9
" Ante-natal cases visited	26
" Chicken Pox cases visited	1
" Whooping Cough cases visited	45
" Measles cases visited	1
" Mumps cases visited	1
" Cases reported to N.S.P.C.C. Inspector	3

Grants of Milk :	
Carried over from previous quarter	89
New Orders ...	33
Orders discontinued during quarter	51
" continuing to coming quarter	71

Children Act :	Health Visitors.	School Nurses.
No. of Children on Register during the Quarter	39	6
" visits (under Children Act) paid	33	7

3-Midwives Acts—(a) Medical Assistance—The Medical Officer of Health reported that 61 applications had been received from Midwives for medical help during the period for the 1st July to 30th September, 1933, and that the total amount of doctors' fees paid for from 1st April to 30th September was £47 16s. 0d., of which 16s. 9d. was rechargeable to patients.

(b) The Medical Officer of Health reported that the following special notifications had been received from Midwives during the quarter ended 30th September, 1933: Still-births 4; Deaths of Infants 2.

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4-Puerperal Pyrexia and Fever Regulations—The Medical Officer of Health submitted two accounts for treatment of Puerperal Pyrexia in the General Hospital and an examination of blood. RESOLVED, That these accounts be passed for payment.

5—Dentistry—The Medical Officer of Health reported that 11 infants and 22 mothers had attended the School Dentist in accordance with the arrangement made with the Education Committee.

6—Circumcision—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Medical Officer of Health, That the same conditions under which circumcisions may be performed as have been approved by the County Council be adopted, and that the account for a fee of £1 1s. 0d. for an operation performed during the last quarter be paid.

7—Health Visitor—Read, application from Miss Jordan for an increase in salary RESOLVED, That her salary be increased to £220 per annum with a further increase of £10 in one year's time

8—Nursing Homes Registration Act, 1927—RESOLVED, That the certificate of exemption from registration as nursing homes of the General and Eye Hospitals be renewed for a period of 12 months expiring on the 31st day of October, 1934.

9—Winter School for Health Visitors—Read, circular of 29th ult., from the Women Public Health Officers' Association inviting the attendance of Health Visitors to the 13th Winter School for Health Visitors to be held at Bedford College, London, from the 27th December to 6th January next. The expenses for the Course including residence in Bedford College was estimated at £8 12s. 0d. plus railway fare RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Medical Officer of Health, That Miss Jordan be authorised to attend the Course

10—National Baby Week Council—Read, application from this Council asking for a subscription.
RESOLVED, That a subscription of £1 1s. 0d. be made.

LEIGH JAMES,

Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 19th October, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Councillors Morris, E. L. Ward and Yarnold ; Capt. Leschallas; Messrs. W. S. F. Harris, A. Yiend and A. Wiggett (Councillor F. 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
3597	Holtham, F. F.	Amended Plan for Bakehouse, Gloucester Road.
3615	Hawkins, G. A.	Amended Plan for a Motor House, Queensholme, Pittville Circus Road.
3618	Treeweke, S. H.	Motor House, " Shelburne," Lansdown Road.
3619	Lane, G. F.	Motor House, 2 Tennyson Road.
3620	Panton, Mrs. A. M.	Bringing forward shop front to line of existing shops, 214 Bath Road.
3621	Trenouth, E.	Private lock-up Garages, Douro Lodge, Lansdown Crescent.
3622	Wheeler and Mansell, Messrs. ..	28 Semi-detached and detached houses, Hatherley Road.
3623	Smith, T. W.	New Laundry, Churchill Road.
3624	Tomkinson, Miss	Bathroom addition, 4 Bath Parade.
3625	Bruce, Mrs.	Two semi-detached houses, 'Montpellier Terrace.
3626	King Turner, Miss	Additions to Brakeville, Hatherley Road.
2627	Cheltenham Corporation	Brick Garden Sheds for 78 houses, Alstone Lane Building Estate.
3628	Oliver, F.	Bedroom addition, Lansdown Place Lane
3629	Allen, O. H.	Conservatory, Alvista, All Saints' Road.
3630	Cuming, Lady	Motor House, at rear of Walsingham, Evesham Road.
3631	Dangerfield, S.	Motor House, 11 Shelley Road.
3632	Bowd, W. H.	Preliminary Plan for four semi-detached houses, Evesham Road.
3633	Billings & Sons	Motor House, rear of new houses, Evesham Road
3634	Copeland, R. N.	House, Westal Green (Amended Plan).
3635	Cheltenham Corporation	29 Houses, Alstone Lawn Estate.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 3597, 3615, 3625, 3627, 3629, 3631, 3633 and 3635 be approved. That Plans Nos. 3618, 3619 and 3634 be approved subject to proper entrance crossings over the footpaths being constructed to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor ; That Plan No 3620 be approved subject to the owner entering into an undertaking not to claim compensation for the new addition to the building if at any time the building is required to be set back behind the building line ; That Plan No. 3621 be approved subject to the garages being used solely for the use of the occupants of the flats and not being let or sold for other purposes ; That Plan No. 3623 be approved subject to details as to section, levels etc., being submitted to and approved by the Corporation. That Plans Nos. 3624, 3626 and 3628 be approved subject to the drainage and sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector; That Plan No. 3630 be approved subject to the owner entering into an undertaking to remove the building behind the building line at her own cost and without compensation if and when required by the Corporation ; and That Plans Nos. 3622 and 3632 be not approved.

2—Town Planning Area—Plans—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings under the Town and Country (General Interim Development) Order, 1933 :—

No. of Plan.	Name	Description.
510	Hoperaft, G. P.	Pair of Cottages, Southam.
532	Cheltenham Corporation	Transformer Kiosk, The Reddings, Badgeworth
533	Arthurs, G. E.	Proposed New Lodge, Junction of Postlip Drive with Cheltenham-Broadway Main Road.
534	Bradley, E. H. & Sons	Amended Plan for development of land (66 houses) Junction of Croft Road with Cirencester Road, Charlton Kings.
535	Franks, Mrs.	Re-erection of house, The Priory, Bishop's Cleeve.
536	Hodges, G. F.	Amended site Plan for Bungalow, Badgeworth Lane.
537	Yates, Mrs.	Proposed additions to cottage, Elmstone Hardwicke.
538	Bagnall, W. H.	Proposed Bay-window, South Park, Up Hatherley.
539	Williams, Capt. A.	Proposed pair of semi-detached Bungalows, Warden Hill Road.
540	Adkins, Mrs.	Proposed Garage, The Homestead, Bowbridge Lane, Prestbury.
541	Bausor, G. W. T.	Proposed House, Cheltenham-Shurdington Main Road.
542	Richardson, Capt. J. L.	Proposed 34 garages, Garden Estate, Charlton Kings.

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RESOLVED, That Plans Nos 532, 533, 535, 536, 537, 538, 540 and 542 be approved That Plan No 510 be approved subject to the whole of the exterior of the buildings being rough cast as recommended by the Council for the Preservation of Rural England ; That Plan No. 534 be approved subject to the following conditions (1) The fence in Croft Road being set back to provide for a road 36 feet wide, (2) The owner entering into an undertaking to dedicate the land between the existing boundary and the improvement line for the purposes of widening Cirencester Road when required by the Road Authority (3) The footpath on the east side of the field to be retained; and (4) The owner to enter

into an Agreement with the Charlton Kings Urban District Council that the combined drains shall for the purposes of the Public Health Acts be deemed to be a drain and not a sewer ; That Plan No. 539 be approved subject to the owner entering into an Undertaking to dedicate the land between the existing boundary of the road and the line laid down by the Town Planning Scheme, for the purposes of widening the road when required by the Road Authority and That Plan No, 541 be not approved.

3—Plans Nos. 3627 and 3635—The Borough Surveyor reported that these plans had only just been received although the houses were now in course of erection. RESOLVED, That the attention of the Housing Committee be called to this, and that they be asked to see that all plans of houses are submitted for the approval of the Town Planning Committee before the contract is put in hand.

4—Houses, Hatherley Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that Messrs Wheeler and Mansell had used soil pipes made of asbestos for these houses. Asbestos pipes had not before been used in Cheltenham, and a specification had not yet been issued by the British Standard Specification. Messrs. Wheeler and Mansell were prepared to use cast iron pipes for the remaining houses if required. RESOLVED, That pending a proper standard for asbestos being issued Messrs. Wheeler and Mansell be required to use cast iron pipes for any future houses erected by them.

5—Proposed Executive Committee—Read, report of the conference of the representatives of the various local authorities held on the 22nd ult. when the following resolution was passed That the Corporation be asked to state " That all members of the Town Planning Committee have equal status," and that matters which only concern members of the Borough Council be dealt with at a separate meeting of the Borough Council members. Read, also, letter from the Clerk to the Cheltenham Rural District Council, enclosing resolution passed by his Council on the 12th inst. disapproving of any proposal falling short of the requests made for the appointment of an Executive Committee. Capt. Leschallas reported that a Committee of the District Council had been appointed to consider the matter further. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

6—Town and Country Planning Act, 1932—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be authorised to engage three temporary unemployed male clerks to assist in addressing the notices to owners and occupiers, etc. (about 20,000) which had to be completed by the 30th November next.

7—Plan No. 3605—The Town Clerk reported that the Public Health Committee were recommending the Council not to extend the sewer for a house proposed to be erected at the north end of Brooklyn Road by Mr. E. J. Cook, and that they did not consider it desirable that the house should be allowed to be built without the sewer being extended. The Borough Surveyor reported that he had written to the 6 owners abutting on the road to enquire whether there was any prospect of their developing the land for building, and had received replies from 5 of them that they had no intention of building on their land. RESOLVED, That the plan be not approved.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 29th September, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Pates; Councillors Green, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Thomas, E. L. Ward, Waite and Weech ; Messrs. H. W. Bennett, E. J. Burrow and J. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair).

1—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Report of the Meeting held on the 18th September. Present—Alderman Pates (in the chair); Councillors P. T. Smith and Waite. They recommended (inter alia) as follows:-

(a) Mineral Waters—That next year the Central Spa be opened on Sunday mornings as well as the Spa at Montpellier Gardens.

(b) Montpellier Gardens—That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to provide some lockers in the Chalet for use of hirers of tennis courts at these Gardens.

(c) Winter Garden—That the proposal of the Entertainments Manager to organise a Radio Exhibition be approved. RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted

2—" Everyman "—Read, letter from Mr. W. L. Mellersh enclosing letter signed by Dr Robinson, Sir Henry Thuilier, Mr. Lloyd Baker and six others, suggesting that the Corporation should assist in producing the old morality play " Everyman " for the benefit of the town, and that the use of the Town Hall should be granted free, the Corporation to take the profits less a percentage for the General Hospital. RESOLVED, That the Committee approve of this proposal, and that the Entertainments Manager be instructed to arrange with Mrs. Chubbe and the Committee that produced the play last March at the Princess Hall, for the play to be produced at the Town Hall on a date to be arranged.

3—Town Hall—RESOLVED, That the Council agree to the Post Office Telephones Department providing an electric light for the telephone cabinet at the Town Hall operated by a door switch, the Corporation to pay for the cost of the energy consumed.

4—St. George's Square Bowling Green—Read, letter of 25th inst. from Mr. J. H. Evans, Chairman of the Cheltenham Spa Bowling Club, asking the Council to grant on the expiration of the lease in February next, a new lease of this Ground to the Club for a term of three years at a rent of £30 per annum, and also asking that additional lavatory accommodation be provided, as it was their desire to admit ladies as members of the Club. He also asked the Corporation to meet the Club in regard to remedying the defective patches of turf. RESOLVED, That the Club be informed that the Council are prepared to grant a lease on the same terms as the present lease for a further period of three years, but are not prepared to reduce the rent, also that the Club be required to carry out their obligations under the lease to maintain and renew the turf. RESOLVED, also, That consideration of the provision of additional lavatory accommodation be adjourned for the Borough Surveyor to report as to cost.

5—Pittville Mineral Water—The Entertainments Manager submitted further correspondence with The Apollinaris Company Ltd., in regard to the sole right of aerating, bottling and sale of Pittville Water by the Company. The Company were prepared to pay the Corporation 6d. per gallon for the water and to pay the cost of transporting this to their filling stations, and the Corporation to pay for

the cost of Stones for printing labels and carboys, estimated at £10. RESOLVED, That the offer be accepted subject to the terms of an agreement to be approved.

6—Sunday Concerts—RESOLVED, That the Entertainments Manager be authorised to engage artists for the Sunday evening concerts on sharing terms, the artists to be engaged to be first approved by the Committee.

7—Guy Fawkes' Night—The Entertainments Manager submitted his proposals for firework display, band and bonfire, in the Marle Hill Annexe, and Amusement Fair in Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground on November 4th, at an estimated cost of £35, less £10 to be paid for the right of providing Amusement Fair. RESOLVED, also, That a charge of 6d. be made for admission to the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground and Marle Hill Annexe from 5 p.m.

8—Proposed Swimming Pool—The Borough Surveyor submitted Sketch Plans for the lay-out of the Swimming Pool in Sandford Park Playing Field, and an alternative lay-out on the Allotment Ground adjoining the Park. On further consideration, it was decided that the site on the Allotment Ground would be more suitable, and it was RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to authorise this Committee to proceed with the preparation of a Scheme for the provision of an Open-air Swimming Pool, and sunbathing ground etc., on the Allotments adjoining Sandford Park at an estimated cost of £13,000, and that they be authorised to engage Mr. Edward White to advise as to the lay-out of the proposed scheme in collaboration with the Borough Engineer at a fee to be arranged.

[CONFIRMED By COUNCIL AT MEETING HELD ON 2ND OCTOBER, 1933].

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

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That at meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 13th October, 1933. Present—Alderman Pates, Councillors Green, Lipson, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Thomas, Waite and E. L. Ward; Messrs. H. W. Bennett, E. J. Burrow and E. W. Dicks (Councillor Waite in the chair).

9—Spa Baths—(a) Read, Monthly Report of the Superintendent.

(b) The Superintendent submitted application from the Cheltenham Swimming Club for the reservation of the Swimming Baths for their annual "Slash Night " to be held on the 25th inst. RESOLVED, That the application be granted on the same terms as last year, and that the Swimming Bath be then closed.

10—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, Report of the Sub-Committee at their meeting held on the 2nd inst.

They recommended (inter alia) as follows :--

(a) Guy Fawkes' Night—That the proposal of the Entertainments Manager to hold a Dance on the grass in the Marle Hill Annexe on the 4th November be approved.

(b) Boxing—That the Committee approve of a Refreshment Bar being provided for the five Boxing matches to be arranged up to 10 p.m. and that the Entertainments Manager be instructed to obtain tenders for the right of providing the bar. RESOLVED, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

11—Montpellier Pavilion--The Committee considered letter of 15th inst. from Miss Gwen Lewis complaining of the engagement of amateur dancing troupes and solo artists for the Band Concerts, which had affected the attendances at her show, and asking whether in the circumstances the Corporation could pay her some compensation. RESOLVED, That whilst the Committee do not admit that Miss Gwen Lewis has any legal claim, the Council be recommended to offer without prejudice, to make an abatement of £10 10s. 0d. from the rent charged for the Pavilion.

12—St, George's Square Bowling Green—The Town Clerk reported interview with Mr. J. H. Evans, when he proposed that the Corporation should take over the annexe erected by the Club about 4 years ago at a cost of £80-£90, for the sum of £40, and grant the Club a new lease of the Ground at a rent of £44 per annum, plus 10 per cent. on the amount allowed for Annexe, and the Club would also agree to make good the defective turf at a cost of approximately £15. RESOLVED, That this offer be not accepted, and that the Club be informed that the Council are prepared to grant a new lease on the same terms as the present lease for a further period of three years, and that they be required to carry out their obligations to renew the turf.

13—Conference—Read, letter from the Society of Clerks to Urban District Councils that it was proposed to hold their next annual Conference in Cheltenham about the second or third weekend in May, 1934. The Entertainments Manager reported that the Hall had already been engaged from the 4th to 14th May for the Musical Festival. RESOLVED, That the Society be offered the free use of the Pittville Pump Room.

14—Town Hall—RESOLVED, That the use of the Town Hall be given free of charge on the 24th November for the annual Whist Drive on behalf of the Unemployed Christmas Relief Fund.

15—Swimming Pool—(a) Read, letter from the Bursar of the Cheltenham College stating that the President saw no objection from the College point of view, and consented to the proposal subject to the following provisos :—

(i) That there is no public entrance to the Swimming Pool in Orrisdale Terrace.

(ii) That no disturbance is caused to the boys at the Boarding House, "Cheltondale," as the result of etc. should such an amenity in the Swimming Pool be considered.

(b) Read, also, letter from the Rev. R. H. M. Borah, Chairman of the General Hospital asking the Committee to bear in mind the possibility of noise and disturbance being caused to the patients in the Hospital by the of the proposed swimming bath. RESOLVED, That he be informed that this has already been under consideration and the architect instructed to prepare the layout has been asked to have regard to the General Hospital, so as to prevent any likelihood of disturbances being caused owing to the noise from the swimming pool.

(c) Mr. Edward White, President of the Landscape Architects Association attended, and offered to collaborate with the Borough Surveyor in preparing plans etc., and carrying through the scheme for a fee of £225, plus out-of-pocket and travelling expenses (50s per visit). In the alternative, he was prepared to advise on the lay-out of the scheme for a fee of £100, plus out-of-pocket and travelling expenses (50s a visit). RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to accept the latter offer, and that it be referred to a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman, Councillors P. T. Smith and E. L. Ward to draw up instructions to Mr. White as to the requirements in connection with the scheme.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 20th October, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Pates - Councillors Green, Lipson, Pruen, P. T. Smith, Thomas, Waite and E. L. Ward ; Messrs. H. W. Bennett, E. J. Burrow, E. W. Dicks, and J. Howell (Councillor Waite in the chair).

16—Electricity Works—Playing Field—The Borough Surveyor submitted plan providing for the layout of about one acre of ground adjoining the swimming pools, including the provision of shelter and playground equipment at an estimated cost of £800. RESOLVED, That in view of Mr. Pickering's retirement, the matter be adjourned for further consideration when Mr. Marsland has taken up his duties.

17—Swimming Pool—(a) Read, letter of 16th inst. from Mr. Edward White confirming his offer to submit a report and general plan of the layout for a fee of £100. In his report he would advise on the aesthetic treatment of the scheme as a whole in a form which would act as a guide for the persons who will be responsible for the actual construction, including recommendations and suggestions in respect of the architectural effect of the various structures. He would furnish sections of the proposed new levels and supplement the plan of layout with one or more perspective sketches to illustrate the general effect. In preparing the scheme he would aim at presenting a scheme which would enhance rather than diminish the attraction of Sandford Park. It was understood that the practical details of construction and working drawings and specification would be the responsibility of the Corporation officials, He would be able to submit his proposals within one month of instructions to proceed, and asked that his fee should be paid within one month from submission of the plan and report. RESOLVED, That these terms be accepted.

(b) The Sub-Committee submitted draft instructions to Mr. White. RESOLVED, That these, as now settled, be approved.

18—Medical Baths—Studa Chair—RESOLVED, That the charge for this treatment be 7s 6d. per treatment or 27s for a course of four treatments, and that Minute No. 14 (b) passed at the meeting of the Committee on the 15th September last be varied accordingly.

19—Winter Garden—Boxing Tournament—Read, letter from the St. Gregory's Athletic Club asking for the use of the Winter Garden for a boxing display to be held in the near future. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to grant the free use of the building subject to payment of out-of-

pocket expenses including heating and lighting on a date to be fixed after the series of boxing entertainments arranged with Capt. Prince Cox have been held, and provided the building will not be required by the Winter Garden Skating Rink Co.

20—Empire Marketing Boards—Read, letter from Councillor W. N. Weech asking for the free use of these boards in connection with the General Hospital Extension Appeal RESOLVED, That he be informed that as the boards are the property of the Empire Marketing Board, his request cannot be acceded to. RESOLVED, also, That notice be given to the Empire Marketing Board terminating the agreement with them, and requiring the boards to be removed.

21—Town Hall—(a) Trades Exhibition—The Entertainments Manager submitted offer from the Trades Exhibition Syndicate to take the Town Hall for ten days in April next for their annual Trades Exhibition at a rent of £150 including lighting. RESOLVED, That the offer be not accepted in view of the damage caused to the building in the moving of the packing cases, etc.

(b) RESOLVED, That the Committee approve of the letting of the Town Hall on Sunday, 31st December for concerts by Jack Payne's Dance Band in the afternoon and evening.

22—Pittville Water—The Town Clerk submitted draft agreement with Apollinaris Limited for the bottling of Pittville Water. RESOLVED, That the draft be approved as now settled subject to the United Chemists Association Limited raising no objection to this proposal,

23—**Entertainments Sub-Committee**—Read, report of the Entertainments Sub-Committee at their meeting held on the 16th inst They recommended (inter alia) as follows (a) Christmas Programme—That the programme of Christmas and New Year festivities submitted by the Entertainments Manager be approved, and that he be authorised to engage the cabarets and purchase the novelties as therein mentioned.

(b) Boxing—That the tender of the Pittville Radio to provide public address equipment for the sum of £1 for each boxing tournament be accepted.

(c) Special Dance—That the arrangements made by the Entertainments Manager with Eve Drury and Ramon to give exhibition dances at a special Dance to be held on the 1st December and a Dance Tea on the 2nd December as now reported, be approved. RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

24—Christmas Programme—The Entertainments Manager submitted tenders received for printing the Christmas Programmes. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. Ed. J. Burrow & Co. Ltd. of £11 16s 6d. for 3,000 copies be accepted.

25—Conferences—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Chamber of Commerce That invitations to hold their annual conferences in Cheltenham be sent to the National Housing and Town Planning Council, the Incorporated Dental Society and the Electrical Contractors' Association.

T. WILFRED WAITE,

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 23rd October, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore; Councillors Waite and J. F. Ward (Alderman Moore in the chair).

1—Supply to Rural Areas—(a) The Reddings—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported application for a supply of electricity for two houses and a dairy. He estimated the cost of this extension by overhead lines at £52 15s. 2d., and suggested terms on which the extension should be made, RESOLVED, That these terms be approved, and that if accepted that application be made for the consent of the Ministry of Transport for the erection of the overhead lines, and for the consents of the local authorities concerned.

(b) Two Hedges Lane—Read, letter of 5th inst., from the Clerk to the County Council in regard to the request made to the County Council to withdraw the condition attached to the approval for the erection of the overhead lines in this road that the Corporation should agree to remove or set back the poles should the widening of the road be undertaken by the County Council. The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had arranged to meet the County Surveyor on the site, RESOLVED, That if the County Council do not see their way to withdraw this condition application be made to the Ministry of Transport for consent to the placing of the overhead lines as originally proposed.

(c) Lynworth Gardens and Hesters Way—Read, letters of 5th and 23rd inst., from the Ministry of Transport consenting to the placing of overhead lines for the supply to Lynworth Gardens and at Hesters Way subject to the regulations, and to the lines being erected along the routes shown on the maps enclosed with the applications. The Minister reserved the power to review the position at any time after the expiration of five years.

(d) Cables near Churchdown Station—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to an undertaking with the Great Western Railway Company in the form now submitted in regard to the laying of a cable over the railway bridge at Badgeworth Road, Churchdown.

(e) Sub-Station at the Reddings—The Town Clerk reported that Mrs. Henegan was prepared to sell a piece of her land at the Reddings for the sum of £6 for the erection of a sub-station on the terms now reported. RESOLVED, That the offer be accepted, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the conveyance.

2—Extensions to Mains—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to make the extensions to mains referred to in his report at estimated costs of £72 17s. 6d. and £180 respectively on the terms now approved by the Committee.

3—Public Convenience—The Town Clerk reported that the Public Health Committee desired to know whether the Committee would agree to a portion of their site at the junction of Church Road and Gloucester Road being used for the erection of a public convenience. RESOLVED, That the Committee agree to the convenience being erected on a site to be approved fronting Church Lane

but that they do not consider it is desirable to use the land fronting Gloucester Road or Church Road for this purpose.

4—Closing of Works—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. G. Kemp, formerly employed as a temporary charge engineer at the Electricity Works had made a claim for compensation under the Electricity Acts, and that Sir Harold Morris, the referee appointed by the Ministry of Labour had heard the case at Cheltenham on the 3rd instant, and awarded that the claimant was not regularly employed by the Corporation, and was not therefore entitled to compensation under the Acts.

5—Gas Tests—(a) Quarterly Report—Read, report of the Gas Examiner for the quarter ended 30th - September last, which showed the average calorific value for the quarter to be 472.9 B.Th.U.

(b) Read, reports of Gas Tests made on the 26th ult., 3rd, 13th and 19th inst., which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 478.2, 477.0, 473.0 and 474.5 B.Th.U. respectively, and the pressure 5.4, 5.3, 5.4 and 5.5 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 10th October, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Margrett, Moore and Pates ; Councillors Green, Dr. W. Curling Hayward and Morris (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

	For 30 days ended 9th October, 1933	Average for corresponding period during Past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	95,000 gallons	192,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	160,000	367,000
Leckhampton Springs	24,000	42,000
Total	279,000	601,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

Estimated Usable Quantity ... about 27,434,000 gallons.

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

3—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered, and the rates settled and adjusted.

4—Extension of Main—Ham. Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted correspondence with Messrs Mark Williams & Co. Ltd. with regard to the water supply for the house in course of erection in Ham Road, Charlton Kings, The situation was at a level where the house could not be supplied from the town mains, and it was proposed to pump water from a storage tank to a tank which had been placed in a position, not approved by the Corporation. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that the Borough Engineer be instructed to interview Messrs. Mark Williams & Co. Ltd. thereon.

5—Land, London Road—(a) The Town Clerk reported that Mrs. Burton was now willing to sell her bungalow and land for the sum of £450, including compensation, plus the Vendor's costs of Conveyance and Surveyor's fees, and also a contribution of not exceeding £5 5s. Od towards her Solicitor's costs incurred over the lengthy negotiations. RESOLVED, That these terms be agreed to subject to vacant possession of the land being given on the 30th November next.

(b) The Town Clerk reported negotiations with regard to the purchase of land belonging to Mr. R. Sheppard. RESOLVED, That the Corporation are prepared to pay the sum of £175 for the land (including compensation) and that Mr. Sheppard be entitled to have the wooden bungalow and that the Corporation agree to haul this to an approved site.

6—Borough Engineer—Read, letter of 7th inst. from Mr. Pickering, asking the Committee in considering the allowance to be made to him under the Superannuation Scheme, for satisfactory mutual arrangement to be made for retaining his services as Consultant Water Engineer. RESOLVED, That Mr. Pickering's services be retained as Consultant Water Engineer for a period of three years from the 1st May next at a retaining fee of £150 per annum.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 17th October, 1933. Present—The Mayor; Aldermen Margrett, Moore, Pates and Clara F. Winterbotham; Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, Thomas, Waite, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward and Yarnold ("Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Diseases Amongst Animals—Superintendent Wayman reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst

2—Domestic Servants Registries—Superintendent Wayman reported that the domestic servants registries in the Borough had recently been visited, and the books examined and found in order.

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

Date, 1933. Place Cause. Damage. Brigade Expenses.

11th September 46 Townsend Street Curtains blown on to light. Slight £4 6s. Od.

14th “ 6 Chestnut Terrace, Charlton Kings Defective flue. About £20 £3 12s. 0d.

13th October 75 High Street ... Burning paper in cellar ... About £25 £4 15s. 6d.

4—Hackney Carriage Licences—The Town Clerk submitted list of licences not taken up. RESOLVED, That Superintendent Wayman be instructed to take proceedings against any drivers found plying for hire without a licence.

5—Cambray Spa and Turkish Baths—Read, letter from Mr. W. H. Horsley offering these premises for sale at the price of £4,250. RESOLVED, That the offer be not entertained.

6—Petrol and Carbide Licences—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs. Georges Ltd for a licence to store 250 gallons of petrol in an underground tank at 366/7 High Street be granted.

(b) RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs. H. E. Steel Ltd. for a licence to store 224 lbs. of Carbide at 105 High Street be granted.

7—Borough Arms—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham and County Cycling Club for permission to incorporate the Borough Arms in the design of their Club medals be granted.

8—Pawnbroker's Licence—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. H. Higgins for the renewal of his Pawnbroker's Licence be granted up to 9th November, 1934.

9—Dr. Wilson Memorial—Read, letter from Mrs. Wilson in regard to the lettering on the memorial to the late Dr. Wilson in the Promenade, and asking whether the Council would consider the provision of a tablet containing a copy of the inscription on the railings so as to be easily readable by passers-by. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the memorial cleaned once a year.

10—Superannuation—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Rating Committee, That the services of Mr. F. H. Harris, Rating and Valuation Officer, be extended for one year up to 30th September, 1934.

11—Beechhurst, Hewlett Road—Read, letter from Mr. W. H. Horsley, offering this property, comprising the house and land to which 2,477 feet of building frontage could be obtained at the price of £4,000. RESOLVED, That the offer be not entertained.

12—Town Clock—The Committee further considered the question of replacing the Town Clock, and the Borough Electrical Engineer submitted tenders for the provision of a new clock. RESOLVED, That the Committee consider that the existing clock faces should be retained, and that tenders be invited by advertisement for repairing the present clock case and converting it into a two dial electric controlled clock.

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13—Proposed Traffic Signals—(a) Junction of Suffolk and Thirlestaine Roads with Bath Road—Read, letter of 3rd inst. from the Ministry of Transport, stating that in order that the proposal for the erection of traffic signals at this junction might have proper consideration, it would be necessary to

obtain a traffic census at the junction of Sandford Road and Montpellier Terrace with Bath Road. The Borough Surveyor reported that he had had the census made, and he was tabulating the necessary particulars to be furnished to the Ministry. RESOLVED, That the Ministry be informed that the Council consider it is desirable that the through traffic in one direction should be continued as at present via Sandford Road instead of concentrating all the through traffic along Thirlestaine Road route.

(b) Superintendent Wayman submitted, as instructed, returns of the accidents at the following junctions at which it was proposed to install traffic signals. The number of accidents at these junctions from 1st January, 1928 to 30th September, 1933 was as follows :—

	Involving Personal Injury.	Not Involving Personal Injury.
Junction of Park Place and Suffolk Road	15	19
Junction of Hale's Road and Old Bath Road with London Road	20	25
Junction of Clarence Street and North Street with High Street ...	8	24

RESOLVED, That these returns be forwarded to the Ministry of Transport.

14—Strand, High Street—The Committee considered the recommendation of the Traffic Sub-Committee that application should be made to the Ministry of Transport for a One-Way Traffic Order in respect of the portion of the High Street from Bath Road to Cambray Place, and that traffic proceeding from the direction of Charlton Kings should be diverted along Bath Road, Bath Street and Cambray. Read, also, letter of 13th inst from the Chamber of Commerce urging that the One-Way traffic system should be provided for this portion of the High Street. RESOLVED, That the recommendation of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted, and that application for the One-Way Traffic Order be made accordingly.

15—Parking of Cars—Messrs. H. W. Bennett, E. J. Burrow, R. L. Copeland and E. W. Dicks attended as a deputation from the Chamber of Commerce and asked that, on special occasions such as the recent visit of Bertram Mills' Circus and County Cricket Matches, the parking of cars in the adjoining streets should not be permitted, but that cars should be required to park in local garages. Superintendent Wayman reported that in allowing cars to park in the adjoining streets on such special occasions consideration was given to the convenience of the public, and parking in the streets was only allowed where he was satisfied that no obstruction would be caused. RESOLVED, That the arrangement of the traffic must be left to the discretion of the police.

16—Upper Pilford Estate—Read, letter of 16th inst. from Mr. H. Scott Plummer stating that he no longer required the field Part No. 788 now let to him and asking if the Corporation had any objection to this land being let with the adjoining field belonging to him to another tenant. RESOLVED, That he be informed that the Council will make no objection to his arranging for the tenancy to be taken on by a suitable tenant.

17—Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1933—Read, circular of 12th inst. from the Home Office pointing out that this Act repealed Section 2 of the 1908 Act, and replaced the system of licensing by a system of

registration. The repeal, however, did not take effect until brought into operation by an Order in Council.

18—Omnibus Stopping Place—Read, letter of 16th inst. from Mr. T. R. Pritchard asking the Council to reconsider his application for the removal of the omnibus stopping place from outside his shop at 18 Promenade. RESOLVED, That the Committee adhere to their previous decision not to alter the position of the stopping place.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 9th October, 1933. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Green, Morris, Waite and J. F. Ward; and Messrs. Clarkson and Yeend (Councillor J. F. Ward in the chair).

1—Allotments Inspection—The Gardens Superintendent submitted report of his monthly inspection of the allotments, and reported that a number of allotments were in a bad state of cultivation. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the tenants of the untidy allotments requiring them to put the same in a clean and tidy condition, and failing this, that he be instructed to give the tenants notice to quit.

J. F. WARD,

Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 9th October, 1933. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Lt.-Col. Biggs, Green, Morris, Waite and J. F. Ward (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Pittville Gardens—(a) Bridge—The Borough Surveyor submitted 7 tenders received for the work of strengthening the bridge in Pittville Gardens. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. Mark Williams & Co. Ltd of £80 0s. 10d. be accepted subject to contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into. (b) The Parks Superintendent reported that Mrs. Goodlake had been seen on two occasions taking branches of eucalyptus from the flower beds. Read, letter of apology from Mrs. Goodlake who stated that she had taken the leaves to make a prescription for an old woman who was ill. RESOLVED, That Mrs. Goodlake be informed that if this occurs again proceedings will be taken against her under the Byelaws.

2—Football Pitches—RESOLVED, That the application of All Saints' Sports Club for the use of a football pitch on one of the recreation grounds during the present season be not granted as no pitch is available.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

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ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 13th October, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham ; Councillors Dr. W. Curling Hayward and Scott Langley ; Dr. R. Davies ; and Messrs. F. B. de Sausmarez and S. C. Morris (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—Visits—During September 2,993 (against 3,313)

Receipts—Catalogues, Postcards, "Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund," 11s 4d.

Exhibitions—The 14th Annual Exhibition of the Cheltenham Group of Artists opened on 28th September.

Gibraltar House—The agreement having been signed, and a new grate fixed at a cost of £4 10s. 0d., Mr. D. W. Hart took possession on 29th September.

Show-cases—The Curator reported the purchase of two show-cases for £1 12s. 0d. and £1 10s. 0d. respectively. RESOLVED, That the Curator's action be approved.

2—Donations—Captain Bunbury, Dog fox ; Dr. G. Arthur Cardew, Collection of flints, etc. ; Mr. J. M. Coon, Geological specimens ; Messrs. F. C. Dodwell & Sons, Plaque in Longport earthenware ; Mr. J. W. Gray, Collection of fossils and flints; Mrs. Handy, 2 moles, badger skull, 2 horn lanterns, 7 lb. powder canister and malt shovel; The Ministry of Agriculture, 2 specimens of Colorado Beetle The Museum, Gloucester, wooden water pipe ; Mr. S. Priday, Death's head hawk moth : Dr. O. H. Wild, Goffering machine and goffering iron, Bread scales and rolling pin, and base of tinder box and curd breaker.

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

3—Loans—Mr. S. C. Bass, Puzzle tea-pot in Rockingham ware.

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

4—Extension of Art Gallery and Museum Hours—RESOLVED, That the matter be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee, pending further consideration by the Curator.

5—" Friends of the Art Gallery and Museum Fund "—RESOLVED, That a Poole Pottery Plate be purchased for £1 9s. 4d., a Whisky Still for £1 10s. 0d., and a Plaque in Longport porcelain, bearing painting of " Cheltenham Crystal Palace," 1854, for £4 10s. 0d.

6—Victoria and Albert Museum—RESOLVED, That the offer of the loan of 2 cases of exhibits beginning in December, be accepted.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM, Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 20th October, 1933. Present—Councillors Rev. E. S. de Courcy-Ireland, Green, Morris, Thomas and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of the Superintendent for the period from 23rd September, 1933, to 20th October, 1933. Interments 38 ; Grave Spaces sold 15 (First Position 1, Second Position 2, Fourth Position 12) ; Memorials erected 11 ; New Inscriptions 11.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8851 to 8865.

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following Designs be approved:—Cross, Bases and Kerbing to graves of Edith Elizabeth Valentine Jones, John Thomas Norman, Emily Norman, Ernest Alfred Norman and Percy Hughes Norman, Jane Isabella Goldsmith, Audrey Joy Garlick and Ada Constance Handley ; Headpiece and Kerbing to graves of Charles John Brookes, Charles William Hopkins, Margaret Stuart, Frances Selina Hill, Ellen Elizabeth Hopkins, Ada Gladwin Green, Arthur A. Webb, and John Addis ; Marble block to grave of William Dawkins and Mary E. Dawkins ; Scroll and Kerbing to graves Kate Armitage, and Alice Williams and Lily Williams ; Kerbing and Posts to graves of Ann Seaford, Thomas Bethell and Salome Bethell, and John Tucker ; Kerbing to graves of George Haines, Asenath Haines and Evan G. M. Haines, and Cecilia Matilda Green

4—Maintenance of Grave Spaces—(a) 2116 Section A.1. and 2259 Section A .1.—Read, letter of 11th inst. from Mr. A. V. Gregory on behalf of the Public Trustee, the sole executor of the will of Sarah Elizabeth Field, deceased, to ascertain the terms on which the Corporation would undertake the maintenance in perpetuity of these graves. RESOLVED, That the Corporation are prepared to undertake this on payment of a sum of £100, subject in the case of Grave Space 2259 A.1. to the kerbing being refixed, and the letters on the memorial being cleaned and repainted prior to the Corporation taking over the maintenance thereof.

(b) 2336 and 2337 Section O—Read, letter of 18th inst. from Messrs. R. L. Boulton & Sons that they proposed to remove the two memorials from these graves and replace them with one new granite one in accordance with design submitted. RESOLVED, That this be approved, and that the difference between the fees paid for the erection of the two old memorials and the fee chargeable for the erection of the new memorial be charged.

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 23rd October, 1933. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Dr Hayward, Thomas and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Proposals—The Committee considered the proposals submitted by the Rating and Valuation Officers, RESOLVED, That these as now settled by the Committee be submitted to the Assessment Committee

2—Defaulters—The Committee interviewed persons who had not paid their Rates, and gave instructions for summonses to be issued and Committal Orders to be applied for, but to be deferred whilst weekly instalments as now settled by the Committee were regularly paid.

3—Unpaid Rates—A Statement of Unpaid Rates was read and signed.

4 —Shropshire, Worcestershire and Staffordshire Power Company—Read, letter of 10th inst. from Mr. H. Bewlay, the Rating Surveyor instructed to make the cumulo valuation of this undertaking, and that he had assessed the portion of the undertaking in the Borough at £375. being the same as the present assessment. RESOLVED, That this valuation be accepted.

P. P. TAYLOR

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 24th October, 1933. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor; Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, Waite and E. L. Ward (The Deputy Mayor 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 £99,073; Owners allowances £788 ; Voids £3,303 ; Legally excused £214 ; Irrecoverables £157 ; Refunds £80.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 24th inst. , on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 30th September, 1933. Amount collected £14,663 ; Abatements £22 ; Voids £151 ; Defaulters £5.

3—Housing Bonds—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting £450 had been received for 3 ½ per cent Housing Bonds and that certificates had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

4—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on 24th inst. Present—The Deputy Mayor and Councillor Waite (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

5—Loans—RESOLVED, That the terms proposed for the renewal of Debentures amounting to £1,840 be approved and the Debentures endorsed accordingly.

6—Superannuation—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that during the month Mark Sutton (Foreman), F. Turner (Sweeper) and E. J. Lea (Sweeper) had been medically certified as permanently unfit for further service. RESOLVED, That they be paid respective allowances of 14s 8d., 6s 7d. and 7s 9d. per week, calculated on their wages for the last five years on a non-contributory basis of 44, 19 and 21 years' service respectively, together with refunds of their contributions amounting to £56 18s. 11d., £51 16s. 7d. and £54 11s. 0d. respectively.

(b) The Borough Treasurer reported that J. Johnson (ex-stoker) died on the 7th inst.

(c) The Borough Treasurer reported that Mr. J. S. Pickering, Borough Surveyor, would retire on the 1st November, and that he was entitled to a superannuation allowance of £364 11s. 4d. per annum in respect of 40 years non-contributory service. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(d) RESOLVED, That in future not more than two pupils at one time shall be taken by any officer of the Corporation and that before any such pupil is taken the approval of this Committee shall be obtained, and that superannuation contributions due from any such officer in respect of fees received by him for a pupil shall be paid to the Borough Treasurer when such fee is received.

P. P. TAYLOR, Chairman

FINANCE COMMITTEE.