

## **Borough of Cheltenham**

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 6th of February, 1888.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 31st day of Jan., 1888—Present : Aldermen Parsonage and Simms Bull, Councillors Cox, Darby, Heath, Ferguson, Lawrence, Waghorne, (Alderman Parsonage in the chair )—

GAS EXAMINER'S and GAS INSPECTOR'S REPORTS were read. Average illuminating power, 17.31 candles. Average purity 16.24 grs. of sulphur per 100 cubic feet. Hourly average consumption of gas in the hundred lamps 4.077 cubic feet, 4.087 cubic feet, 4.100 cubic feet.

HERMITAGE STREET. A Specification from the Surveyor, of date the 30th day of January, of the Works required to be done to the above Street, was read and approved. And it was Resolved, That the necessary Plans, Sections, and Estimates be prepared, and Notices be given under Section 150 of The Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owners of the Premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said street, requiring to be levelled, paved, metalled, flagged, channelled, or made good ; requiring them to do the specified work within 28 days ; and that, if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

J. AVERILL'S BUILDING PLAN and NOTICE. The Surveyor reported that owing to the serious illness of the tenant, Mr. Leacey, the proposal to alter these premises had been abandoned for the present.

PROPOSED TELEPHONE EXCHANGE. The Surveyor reported that he had gone into this question in conjunction with the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade and the Local Superintendent of the Telephone Company, and he submitted an estimate from the Company for connecting the Municipal Offices and other places in the Borough with the proposed Exchange, and also for establishing an electric bell communication between the Fire Brigade Station and the residences of all the Firemen. And it was Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned.

LIGHTING OF ST. ANNE'S ROAD. A letter from Mr. J. Bloodworth stating that the persons who signed the recent memorial to the Council for additional lamps in this street would prefer that the new lamp should be placed about half-way between the present one and Albion Street, and that they considered it undesirable to move the latter, was read. And it was Resolved, That the Committee are not prepared to alter their previous resolution in this matter.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY STATION. A letter from R. R. Nelson, Esq., the Railway Company's Solicitor—in reply to one from the Town Clerk asking for copies of the plans of the proposed alterations at this Station, and also to be informed what approach to the Station would be provided for the public in lieu of the footpath leading from the Knapp, which the Company proposes to stop up—enclosing copy of a letter from the Company's Engineer stating that the plans of the proposed alteration have not yet been settled by the Company's Officers nor have they yet been submitted to the Board, and pointing out that the footpath in question leads only to the Station, and no farther, and that no doubt, when the New Station is completed it will be practicable to continue the footpath

in such a way as to give access from it to the Station, was read. And it was Resolved, That the Company be asked to give an undertaking to continue the footpath in such a way as to give access from the point at which it is proposed to be stopped to the Station.

SPECIAL WORKS IN ST. JAMES'S SQUARE. A letter from C. E. Gale, Esq., with respect to the alteration in the level of the footpath at the entrance gate to his house, was read, and the Surveyor reported he had seen Mr. Gale, and had made arrangements with him which would remove his objections.

Also a letter from E. H. Thompson, Esq., complaining of the delay which has taken place in having this work done, was read. And it was Resolved, That Mr. Thompson be informed of the cause of delay, and that the work is now in progress.

HALES ROAD. A letter from the Clerk to the Charlton Kings Local Board, enclosing copy of a Report presented by their Roads Committee, relative to the repair of this road, and Genl. Harvest's application for a Crossing at the junction of King's Road, together with a further letter on the subject of the Crossing from Genl. Harvest were read and adjourned for further consideration.

PAVEMENT IN CLARENCE STREET. A letter from Messrs. Harrison, Bayley & Co., calling attention to the defective state of the paving outside their offices was read, and the further consideration thereof adjourned.

ROAD IN SUFFOLK, SQUARE. A letter from Genl. Primrose, calling attention to the state of the road on the East side of Suffolk Square from 13 to 19, which is full of holes, was read. And it was Resolved, That Genl. Primrose be informed the same will be repaired.

FOOTPATHS NEAR TOWER COAL OFFICE, MONTPELLIER. A letter from Messrs. Jaynes and Scholey, asking that steps might be taken to remedy the present condition of the footpaths approaching the above, and for a crossing to be laid down, was read, And it was Resolved, That the Committee cannot recommend the laying down of a Crossing, but the footpath will be repaired.

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CROSSINGS IN TIVOLI DISTRICT. A memorial from Mr. Lewis Vizard and others, praying that Crossings might be placed at the top of Lypiatt Street and at the top of Hatherley Street, was read. And it was Resolved, That an asphalte crossing be laid down at each of these points.

REPAIR OF COLONNADE. A memorial from Mr. J. J. Banks and other tradesmen, complaining of the action of the Borough Surveyor in closing the Colonnade for the purpose of repairing the roadway during the week preceding Christmas, a time calculated to injure trade, was read. And it was Resolved, That the Committee regret the Memorialists were inconvenienced and that their objections will be considered on any future occasions.

FOOTPATH IN SANDFORD ROAD. A Memorial from Jas. Cox, Esq. and others, calling attention to the unsatisfactory condition of the pathway on the South side of this road, was read. And it was Resolved, That the footpath be repaired with Bristol gravel.

SWINDON ROAD. A Memorial from Mr. Alfred Cook and others on the subject of the bad state of this road was read. And the Surveyor reported that the road had, since the date of the Memorial, been attended to.

SPECIAL WORKS IN GREAT WESTERN ROAD. A Memorial from Mrs. E. Daniells and others, asking the Council to reconsider the Order made upon the Owners in this road to repair the footpath, was read. And it was Resolved, That the Committee see no reason to reconsider their Order.

FOOTPATH AT FALLOWFIELD. It was Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a Specification of the works of repair required to be done to this footpath by the abutting Owners.

SHERBORNE PLACE IMPROVEMENT. It was Resolved, That Notice be given to Mr. Bence to remove the hoarding erected by him at his property in Sherborne Place.

TOWN COUNCIL HORSES. The Surveyor reported that one of the Town Council horses had died from (as certified by Mr. Bryer) over-feeding, making the sixth that had died during the last twelve months.

MANAGEMENT OF HIGHWAYS and SCAVENGING DEPARTMENTS. It was Resolved, That from the facts that have come to the knowledge of this Committee with respect to the Management of the Highways and Scavenging Departments, this Committee consider it desirable that it should be referred to this Committee, or to a Special Committee to be appointed at the meeting of the Council on Monday next, to enquire and report upon the whole subject, and that due notice of the resolution be given by the Town Clerk in the summons for the meeting.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS. Proceedings of Sub-Committee. It was Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub (Improvement) Committee at their Meetings of date the 10th and 28th January, be approved and confirmed.

ASH COLLECTION. Proceedings of Sub-Committee. It was Resolved, That the proceedings of the Ash Collection Sub-Committee at their Meetings of date the 24th December, and 10th January be approved and confirmed.

NEW BUILDINGS. The Surveyor submitted Notices and Plans received by him from Mr. Moses Davis, for alterations to No. 245, High Street, which was approved. Also a Notice and Plan from Mr. H. H. Martyn, for additions to Sunningend, College Road, which was not approved.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

#### **STREET IMPROVEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of the Committee, held on Tuesday, the 10th day of Jan., 1888—Present: Aldermen Parsonage and Simms Bull, Councillor Ferguson (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

BENNINGTON STREET. A letter from Messrs. Knight and Chatters on behalf of Mr. E. Beckingsale, submitting a proposal for setting back his premises in Bennington Street, with the object of widening the street and forming a continuous footpath on that side, accompanied with a plan, was read. The Surveyor laid before the Committee a ground plan of the proposed improvement, shewing the land to be given up. And it was resolved, That as on the occasion of the former application in the year 1882, the Committee will recommend the Council to contribute the sum of £500 towards the

improvement, provided the street is put into such a state as will justify the Corporation in declaring it a Highway, the Proprietors of the Street consenting thereto.

COLONNADE IMPROVEMENT. A letter from Mr. Walsh, the solicitor to the College, stating that he had received a letter from the Charity Commissioners who did not consider they would be justified in authorising a sale of the property at the price offered by the Corporation, together with draft of Town Clerk's proposed reply thereto were read. And it was Resolved that that the same be approved and sent.

GEO. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 28th day of Jan., 1888—Present: Aldermen Parsonage and Simms Bull and Councillor Ferguson (Alderman Parsonage in the chair).

COLONNADE IMPROVEMENT. A letter from Mr. Walsh, of date the 26th inst., enclosing extract from a letter from the Charity Commissioners, that upon consideration of Messrs. Castle and Field's Report, the lowest price which the Charity Commissioners, as then advised, would feel justified in authorising the Trustees to accept for the College property is £5,800 was read. Messrs. Taylor and Dobell and their respective solicitors, attended this meeting of the Committee, and stated they were prepared to carry out the terms of the intended agreement with the Corporation on the basis of the price for the property being put at £5,500. And it was Resolved, That the Town Clerk reply to Mr. Walsh's letter that the Committee would recommend the Council to give £5,600 if the Commissioners would authorise the sale of the property at that sum.

GEO. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

#### **ASH COLLECTION SUB-COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 24th day of December, 1887. Present: Alderman Parsonage, Councillors Darby and Heath (Alderman Parsonage in the chair).

DESTRUCTOR. It was Resolved, That it is desirable that all questions connected with the carrying out of the arrangements connected with the purchase of the land for, and the erection of the Destructor should be referred to, and dealt with, by the Street and Highway Committee.

ASH COLLECTION. It was Resolved, That until the Destructor is erected, the Surveyor do exercise his discretion in dealing with the Collection of the Ashes.

GEO. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 10th day of January, 1888. Present Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Darby and Lawrence (Alderman Parsonage in the chair),

ASH COLLECTION. Mr. Packer reported the names of Hauliers who had been paid for 132 Loads of Ashes and Ash Bin Refuse, by parties to whose land they had hauled the same. And it was Resolved, That the Surveyor do apply to them for re-payment of the amounts received, and if necessary to deduct it from the amounts due for hauling.

It was further Resolved, That the Surveyor do cause the following Notice to be given to the Hauliers employed by him : " It having coming to the knowledge of the Town Council that several of the Hauliers employed by the Borough Surveyor " have been in the habit of receiving money for Ashes or Ash Bin Refuse from the persons to whose land it has been hauled, " I am directed to inform you that the receipt of money for Ashes or Ash Bin Refuse except by the persons authorised by " the Surveyor to receive the same, is strictly prohibited, and that anyone receiving any such money will be forthwith discharged from the employ of the Town Council and will be prosecuted. The Hauliers are also informed that no Ashes or " Ash Bin Refuse must be taken to any place or places except where directed by the Surveyor or his Assistant."

GEO. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 14th day of January, 1888. Present Councillors Ferguson, Darby, Parsonage, Norman, Taylor, Price (Councillor Darby in the chair).

DESTRUCTOR. The letter from Messrs. Castle and Field of date the 29th ult., read at the last meeting of the Town Council, accepting on behalf of the College the offer of £1,500 made by the Corporation, and further correspondence thereon between the Town Clerk and Messrs. Castle and Field was read, from which it appeared that the College accepted the offer of £1,500 for the lands described in the notice to treat, provided a proper wall or close boarded fence not less than 6 feet high was erected above the ground next to the remainder of the College property. And it was Resolved, That a close boarded fence be erected accordingly.

TELEPHONE EXCHANGE. A letter from the Medical Officer of Health setting forth the advantage that would result from telephonic communication with the Delancey Hospital and Ambulance Driver, was read. And it was Resolved, That if reasonable terms can be arranged with the Company it would be desirable to have the telephonic communication suggested by the Medical Officer of Health.

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SEWERS, FLUSHING OF. A letter from the Medical Officer of Health, recommending the flushing of the sewers more frequently at the present time, and that some strong disinfectant be used, was read. And it was Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to carry out this recommendation under the direction of the Medical Officer of Health.

MINNOW DITCH. Letters from the Medical Officer of Health and Dr. Cocks-Johnson, Medical Officer of Health for the Leckhampton District, stating that there must be some communication or communications between this ditch and the public sewer, were read. And it was Resolved, That the Surveyor do have the public sewer on the line of the ditch examined, and if he finds any communications or openings from the ditch to the sewer, to have the same stopped up.

Nos. 9 and 10, CLARENCE STREET. A letter from the Medical Officer of Health to the Town Clerk stating that the drains of No. 10 Clarence Street were a nuisance and injurious to health was read, and the Town Clerk reported that he had instructed the Surveyor, under Sec. 41 of The Public Health Act, to open and examine the drain. The Surveyor reported that he had done so, and had directed

the Owner to do the necessary works. And it was Resolved, That the action taken by the Town Clerk and Surveyor be approved.

PUBLIC ANALYST. A correspondence between the Clerk of the Peace and the Town Clerk on the subject of the County Analyst was read.

PROVIDENCE SQUARE. The Surveyor reported that default had been made in complying with the requirements of the notice in this case. And it was Resolved, That proceedings be taken against the Owner under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act.

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 30th day of January, 1888. Present Alderman Parsonage, Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Norman, Parsonage, Price (Councillor Darby in the chair),

SLAUGHTER-HOUSE LICENCES, Applications from—Mrs. Pleydell, No. 288 High Street, Mr. Rodway, No. 278 High Street, Mr. J. W. Storr, Whaddon Lane, Mr. R. Challice, Tivoli Street, Mr. T. Verrinder, 3 Hewlett Road, M. R. Gates, 2 St. Mark's Emporium, Mr. Hastings, Folly Lane, and Mr. C. Phipps, 1 Exchange Buildings, for Renewal of Slaughter-House Licences were read. And it was Resolved, That the applications of Messrs. Hastings and C. Phipps be adjourned for the Committee to view the premises, and that permission be given to the other parties to use their respective premises as a slaughter-house for 12 months.

Applications from Mr. C. Willis, for Registration as a Slaughter House of premises at Cullen House, Swindon Road, and Mr. Alfred Mills, for premises in Russell Street, were received, and the further consideration thereof adjourned to enable the Committee to view the premises.

HOUSES WITHOUT PROPER WATER SUPPLY. Reports from the Medical Officer of Health and the Surveyor, reporting the following houses were without a proper supply of water, and that the supply thereto could be obtained from the Corporation Mains, viz., 56 to 61 Queen Street, 27 Bennington Street, 13 Hanover Parade, 2 Keighley Terrace, 3 to 7 Normal Terrace, no and 3 cottages Jersey Street, 17 Courteney Street, Cooper's Arms, High Street, Shamrock Inn, Grove Street, 5 Granville Street, 4 Hanover Parade, 214 High Street, 4 Orchard Place, 6 Courteney Villas, 2 Queen's Terrace, Golden Cross, 18 Burton Street, Cottage 3 Sun Street Retreat, 13 Normal Terrace, 129 High Street, 1 York Street, 16 Hungerford Street, 315 High Street, Evesham cottage, Fairview, were read, and it was Resolved, That notices be given to the respective owners of the houses mentioned, under Section 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, requiring them to obtain such supply and do all such works as may be necessary for that purpose within 28 days.

PUBLIC HEALTH (WATER) ACT, 1878. It was Resolved, That application be made to the Local Government Board for an Order under Sec. 11 of this Act investing the Town Council an Urban Sanitary Authority of the Borough, with the powers and duties given to a Rural Sanitary Authority by Secs. 7 and 9 of the Act.

DELANCEY FEVER HOSPITAL. A letter from Dr. Wilson, Hon. Sec. of the Hospital enclosing copy of a Resolution of this Committee of date the 30th Nov. last that they could not in future consent to receive any patients except in conformity with the Rules for the time being in existence, was read.

And it was Resolved, That a Conference between this Committee and the Trustees to consider the matter, be proposed.

ASH-BIN REFUSE. A letter from the Medical Officer of Health, accompanied with Extract from his Annual Report on the subject of the form of receptacle for ashes, &c., and the mode of collection of Ashbin Refuse, was read, and referred to the Street and Highway Committee.

POST-MORTEM CHAMBER. The Committee considered the resolution of the Council, referring back to them for further consideration, their resolution of the 28th Dec. last. And it was Resolved, That this Committee are unable to suggest or recommend any other site than that mentioned in their previous resolution.

ALL SAINTS ROAD. A letter from Mr. C. Winstone requesting the Council to construct a Sewer under this road, as he was building three villas thereon, was read, and the Surveyor was directed to bring up an Estimate of the cost of the construction of the Sewer.

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NAUNTON PARK TERRACE. A letter from Messrs. Smith Bros., asking for the extension of the Sewer behind these houses to other houses they were building there, was read. And it was Resolved, That the extension in question be made.

DELANCEY FEVER HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS. The following accounts were examined and approved:

Four members of Toft Family ... 9 days each £3 12 0  
Agnes Toft ... 45 days £4 10 0

Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed, viz.,

Dr. Cocks Johnson, Vaccinating Mrs. Collins and her three children ... £1 1 0  
Sanitas Company, Sanitas Fluid ... £3 6 0  
G. C. Holtam, Fly Hire ... £3 19 0  
Mary Toft, Compensation for Clothing and Bedding destroyed ... £1 10 0  
R. E. & C. Marshall, Repairing Still for Medical Officer of Health ... £0 3 3  
G. H. Philott, Professional Assistance in Examining Houses, &c. ...£2 2 0  
Clerk for Copying Medical Officer of Health's Report ... £1 1 0  
H. Bennett, Returns of Births and Deaths ... £1 1 2  
County Co-operative Drug Co., Carbolic Acid ... £5 5 0

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

#### **WATER COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 1st day of February, 1888. Present Alderman Parsonage, Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Heath, Pippett, Price (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT. The usual Monthly Report of the Manager on the state of the Works and other matters was read.

PUMPING STATION AT TEWKESBURY. It was Resolved, That this property be insured in the County Fire Office in the sum of £1000.

COSENS. A letter from Mr. W. T. Cossens, announcing the death, on the 9th ult., of his father, the late Mr. E. A. Cossens, who as an old officer of the Water Company, was in receipt of an annuity of £100 per annum from the Corporation, was read.

LIVERPOOL WATER BILL. The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the bills of costs and charges of himself and his Parliamentary Agents in the matter of the opposition to this Bill, and the apportionment between the opposing Corporations, of the Counsels' fees, and other disbursements common to the opposing petitioners, and which were to be shared on the terms agreed on at the Conference at Worcester. And it was Resolved, That the Town Clerk do take the necessary steps to have the same taxed.

LAND AT DOWDESWELL. The Town Clerk was directed to ascertain from the adjoining landowners what price they would be disposed to give for the piece of land on the South side of the road through which the railway passes.

APPEALS. Various appeals were considered and the amounts settled and adjusted.

Applications and Agreements for the supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 5th day of January, 1888. Present The Mayor, Alderman Simms Bull, Councillors Darby, Heath, Taylor, Waghorne, (Alderman Simms Bull in the chair).

SWINE FEVER. The Town Clerk reported that the County Authority had extended their Order to the 11th Feb. next. And it was Resolved, That the Order made by this Committee be also extended to that date.

W. SIMMS BULL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 31st day of January, 1888. Present The Mayor, Alderman Simms-Bull, Councillors Cox, Darby, Heath, Waghorne (Alderman Simms-Bull in the chair).

HACKNEY CARRIAGE LICENSES. Applications from Thos. Maisey for the renewal of the Fly License or the Pony Carriage License formerly held by him, but refused at the last Annual Licensing Meeting of the Council, Edward Thomas, J. H. Harvey, and Geo. Paul, for Hackney Carriage Licenses were read. And it was Resolved, That the applications be not granted.

CHANCE OF CARRIAGES. Applications from Joseph Smith, to be allowed to use another carriage during the repair of No. 91, and E. Toms, for permission to change his Wheel Chair No. 47 during the repair thereof, were read. And it was Resolved, That the required permission be granted in each case.

OMNIBUS. A letter from Mr. Wm. Maisey, of Horsley, near Nailsworth, asking for a license to run a public omnibus in the town and neighbourhood of Cheltenham, was read. And it was Resolved, That Mr. Maisey be informed the Town Council only license Hackney Carriages within the meaning of the Act of Parliament.

ACCOUNTS. The following a/cs were examined and allowed, viz :—

John Howlett, Lighting, Cleaning and Winding Town Clock ... £45 10 6

H. D. Brown, Repairs to and Fixing Large Iron Safe at Municipal Offices ... £6 12 0

C. St. Leger, Cleaning Town Clock ... £1 0 0

R. E. & C. Marshall, Illuminations at Municipal Offices on Queen's Jubilee as per contract ... £40 13 5

W. SIMMS BULL,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 1st day of Feb., 1888. Present The Mayor, Alderman Parsonage, Councillors Cox, Clark, Heath, Parsonage, Price (Councillor Cox in the chair).

NEW GROUND. The Surveyor laid the Plan of the new ground and purposed mode of allotting the vaults and grave spaces therein before the Committee, and directions were given to him as to the laying them out.

ROADS IN THE OLD PART OF THE CEMETERY. The Surveyor was directed to dress the central drive with blue gravel and to have the other drives dressed with local gravel and rolled.

DESIGNS. The following designs were examined and approved, viz., Headstones to Freddie Elliott, Gertrude E. Ewens, Jane Parr, Sarah Carter, Jno, Thos. Ashton, Anne Webb, Ann English, Henry Sutton, Geo. B. Wickstead, Luke Wm. Pearson, and Mary A. M. Hooper.

ACCOUNTS. The following accounts were examined and allowed, viz.,

Henry Davies, Printing ... £2 0 0

Waterlow Bros. and Layton, Stamping Grants ... £2 13 6

Gas Company, Coke ... £3 15 7

A. H. Nott, Coal ... £3 4 0

C. Ballinger, sweeping snow in Cemetery... £0 2 6

Supt. of Cemetery, Labourer's wages ... £3 14 6

GEO. JAS. COX, Chairman.

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### **BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 29th day of Jan., 1888 Present: Aldermen Parsonage, Simms Bull, Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Norman, Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair), In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Waghorne was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

SWIMMING BATH. The monthly report of the Manager, recommending the payment to the Contractor of £500 on account of the sum of £593 retained in hand by the Corporation, and submitting samples of towels which Mr. J. D. Taylor offered to supply at about the same rate as the previous ones, for 100 dozen was read. And it was Resolved, That the Report be approved, but that with respect to the towels 12 dozen similar to those previously supplied be ordered.

ADVERTISEMENTS. It was Resolved, That the Finance Committee be requested to take into consideration the resolution of the Council with respect to the insertion of the Corporation advertisements in the local newspapers, with a view to the revision thereof.

LOAN FOR PUBLIC PLEASURE GROUND. The Town Clerk read a letter he had written to the Local Government Board to ask them if the Board would recommend the loan by the Public Works Loan Commissioners under Sec. 243 of the Public Health Act, with the reply of the Local Government Board, stating that the Public Works Loan Commissioners would not advance money at a low rate of interest for the purposes of a public pleasure ground.

A letter from Mr. Holliday, stating that he was prepared to take £75 for the plot of land at the south-west entrance to the Recreation Ground, was read. And it was Resolved, That the Town Clerk inform Mr. Holliday that the Committee could not recommend the purchase of the land at that price.

PUBLIC PLEASURE GROUND for the South-east side of the Town.—Mr. Alderman Parsonage stated that he hoped to be able to make a communication on this subject at the next Monthly Meeting of the Committee.

JOHN WAGHORNE, Chairman.

### **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, 23rd day of January, 1888. Present The Mayor, Aldermen Parsonage, Ramsay, Welch, Councillor Lawrence (Alderman Capt. Welch in the chair),

The following gentlemen, Members of the Committees of the Schools of Art and Science attended this meeting of the Committee, viz., Dr. Day, Councillor Norman, T. Whittard, Chas. Wilson, Dr. E. T. Wilson, Rev. E. Cornford, Rev. Jno. Robberds, L. W. Montagnon, Chas. Marshall, Gen. Thompson, R. Rogers.

The question of the Joint Appeal to the Public on behalf of the Library and Schools of Art and Science was further considered. And it was Resolved, That the Committee appointed at the meeting of this Committee held on the 1st December, 1886, for the purpose of making arrangements for carrying out the Joint Appeal be requested to meet and make such arrangements as they think necessary for prosecuting the same, the names of Dr. Day, the President, and Mr. Whittard, the Secretary of the

School of Science, being substituted for those of Dr. Kynaston and Mr. Matthews, with power for the Committee to add to their number.

GEORGE A. W. WELCH, Chairman.

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#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 11th day of January, 1888. Present The Mayor, Alderman Parsonage, Councillors Parsonage, Pippett (Alderman Parsonage in the chair), In the absence of the Chairman Alderman Parsonage was appointed Chairman of this Committee Meeting.

PRINTING OF THE MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS. The Resolution on this subject, passed at the last meeting of the Town Council, was read and considered. And it was Resolved, That the Town Clerk do make enquiries from some other Boroughs who print their minutes as to the practice adopted there and the cost, and report to a future meeting of the Committee.

GEO. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 2nd day of Feb., 1888. Present Aldermen Parsonage and Simms Bull Councillors Darby, Kite, and Parsonage (Councillor Darby in the chair)

BOROUGH TREASURER'S BOND. The Town Clerk reported that in consequence of the death of the late E. W. Shewell and W. N. Skillicorne, Esqrs., the Sureties of the Borough Treasurer, it would be necessary to have some other Sureties appointed, and the County of Gloucester Bank having intimated, through Mr. Councillor Kite, their willingness to give the necessary security, It was Resolved, That a Bond be prepared for the same amount as heretofore, viz., £4,000, and sent to the Directors and Mr. Strachan for execution.

DESTRUCTOR PROVISIONAL ORDER FOR. The Town Clerk laid before the Committee his costs and charges and those of his Parliamentary Agents in the matter of this Provisional Order. And it was Resolved, That the same be taxed in pursuance of the House of Commons Taxation Act, 1879.

COLLECTION OF URBAN RATES. The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 2nd inst., was read, shewing that the amount collected to this date on the Borough (Genl. District) Rate was £8672, leaving outstanding £2949 2s. 8d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No. 1, £1312 10s., leaving outstanding £674 5s. 3 ½d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No. 2, £37 10s., leaving outstanding £14 7s. 7d.

WATER RATE. The Report of the Borough Accountant, of date the 2nd inst., on the collection of this Rate was read, shewing receipts in Cheltenham to this date of £5,097 5s., leaving outstanding £1,456 17s. 8d. In Tewkesbury £362 18s. 4d., leaving outstanding £149 7s. 7d.

PARLIAMENTARY REGISTRATION. The Town Clerk laid before the meeting an account of his expenses in carrying into effect the provisions of the Acts for the Registration of Parliamentary Voters for the year 1887-8, amounting to £81 7s. 3 ½ d. And it was Resolved, That the said amount be certified to be due to him, and be apportioned between the respective Parishes of Cheltenham, Leckhampton,

and Charlton Kings in the proportion of £61 17s. 6d. to Cheltenham, £8 9s. 10 ½ d. to Leckhampton, and £10 19s. 11d. to Charlton Kings.

ACCOUNTS. The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts during the past month, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums :

RECEIPTS.

Library (Revenue) ...	£10 14 8
Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£4659 19 10
Burial Board ...	£97 7 1
Branch Sewers ...	£753 10 0
Water (Revenue) ...	£1934 14 8

ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID

Borough Fund ...	£91 7 5
Library (Revenue) ...	£28 9 2
Ditto (Capital) ...	£55 0 0
Baths (Revenue) ...	£11 5 7
Ditto (Capital) ...	£500 0 0
Recreation Grounds (Capital) ...	£4 15 6
Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£1690 19 9
Ditto (Capital) ...	£1 7 6
Burial Board (Revenue) ...	£225 14 5
Branch Sewers ...	£51 10 10
Street Improvements ...	£121 1 1
Water (Revenue) ...	£125 9 9
Ditto (Capital) ...	£2333 4 11

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

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**Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, February 29th, 1888.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Monthly Meeting of the Council as such and acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 5th day of March next, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, 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. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.

3. To approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the following Committees :

THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE and adjourned consideration of the Resolution re Bennington Street Improvement. THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. THE WATER COMMITTEE. THE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. THE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

4. The Chairman of the Finance Committee to give Notice of his intention to move at the next Monthly Meeting the alteration of the Resolution of the General Purposes Committee of date the 23rd December 1876, relative to the insertion of Advertisements in the Local Newspapers, in accordance with the Finance Committee's Resolution on the same subject.

5. To read and consider the following Letters, Memorials, &c., and pass Resolutions thereon if need be.

Mr. G. H. Williams with, and Resolutions of, Town Improvement Committee. Mr. Alfred Matthews and others re Repair of Courtenay Street. The Town Clerk of Cork re Imprisonment of Mayor of Cork. A. G. Pritchard re Annual Meeting of Municipal Corporations Association.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

#### **Borough of Cheltenham**

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the meeting of the Council, to be held on the 5th of March, 1888.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 28th day of February, 1888. Present : Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Cox, Darby, Heath, Ferguson, and Lawrence (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1—GAS. The Gas Examiner's Monthly Report of the tests made by him during the month was read. Average Illuminating power: 17.11 candles. Sulphur average: 17.39 grains per 100 cubic feet. The Gas Inspector's Monthly Report was read. Average consumption per lamp per hour 4.222 cubic feet.

2--FOOTPATHS IN ST. STEPHENS AND PRINCES ROADS. A Specification from the Surveyor, of date the 25th day of February inst.. of the Works required to be done to the above Streets was read and approved. And It was Resolved, That Notice be given under Section 44 of The Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said streets, requiring to be levelled, repaired and flagged ; requiring them to do the specified Works within 28 days and that, if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

3-- SPECIAL WORKS IN CHRIST CHURCH ROAD. The Surveyor reported that the Special Works ordered to be done in the above road had been completed in accordance with the Specification at a cost of £11 19s., which sum he stated was due from the Globe Insurance Co., the Owners of the

abutting properties. And It was Resolved, That application be made to the said Company for re-payment of the amount.

4-- HALE'S ROAD. The application of the Charlton Kings Local Board for the footpath on the East side of the South end of this road to be repaired, was considered. And It was Resolved That the Town Clerk do investigate and report on the facts and law with regard to the repair of this road, and if need be take Counsel's opinion thereon.

5- PAVEMENT IN CLARENCE STREET. This matter was further adjourned.

6- TREES IN HATHERLEY ROAD. It was Resolved, That the offer made by the Committee to Mr. Prance in March, 1886, viz., to cut down these Trees and make good the fence, allowing Mr. Prance to have the timber and the lop, on his hauling same away —be renewed.

7- PUBLIC LIGHTING. Albany and Oakfield Streets. —A Memorial from Mr. C. H. Channon and others, praying for a Lamp to be placed at the corner of these Streets was read. And It was Resolved, That a Lamp be erected at the point mentioned.

8- Overton Park Road. A Memorial from Mr. Chas. Winstone and others, for a Lamp to be placed at the corner of this road, was read. And It was Resolved, That a Lamp be erected at the point suggested.

9-ROADS AND FOOTPATHS IN ST. PAUL'S DISTRICT. A Memorial from Mr. H. Dean and others, calling attention to the bad state of the roads in the neighbourhood of Hawarden and Knowsley Parades ; also the road in Monson Avenue ; and asking for a Crossing from Monson Avenue to the footpath leading to St. Paul's Church And It was Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to dress Monson Avenue with Blue Stone, and that a Crossing be formed at a point about opposite Mr. Dean's house.

10- CROSSING OPPOSITE ALL SAINT'S CHURCH. -A Letter from Mr. Alderman Simms-Bull, asking for a Crossing to be made opposite this Church, was read. And It was Resolved, That a Crossing be formed on the North side of the entrance to the Church.

11-FOOTPATH FROM HEWLETT STREET TO SIDNEY STREET. A Letter from Mrs. Ayliffe, calling attention to the bad state of this footpath through the holes caused by the operations of the Gas Co. not having been filled up, was read. And It was Resolved, That Notice be given to the Gas Co. to remedy the matter complained of.

12-- SWINDON ROAD. A letter from Mr. Thos. Voile, complaining of the bad condition of this Road, was read. And the Town Clerk was directed to inform Mr. Voile that the delay in repairing the road has been caused by the bad weather, which prevented the bordering and channelling being done.

13- CROSSING OVER LANSDOWN PLACE ROAD AT NORTHWOLD. A Letter from Mr. Samuel Long, stating that three parts of this Crossing is in good condition but the remainder, consisting of small stones, is in bad order, and asking that it might be repaired, was read. And the matter was adjourned to enable the Committee to view the crossing.

14-- KING'S ROAD. A Letter from Mr. W. J. Merrett, stating that the residents in this road would be glad if the Corporation would have the road stoned and rolled, many years having elapsed since it

was last put in order, was read, when the Surveyor stated it was a case of ordinary repair, which would be attended to as soon as the weather permitted.

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15-ROAD IN WITCOMB PLACE.—A Letter from Dr. Adair Dighton relative to the bad state of this road and to the necessity for another Lamp therein, was read. And the consideration thereof adjourned for the Committee to view.

16-SHRUBBERY COTTAGE. The Surveyor laid before the Committee a plan sheaving an improvement in the Gloucester Road at this point, by setting back the fence of this property, and reported that the Gas Co. had agreed to set back the fence two feet from the flagging nearly the whole length, in consideration of being allowed to bring out the fence at the Millbrook Street end to within two feet of the flagging with a circular corner of at least five feet radius. And It was Resolved, That the same be agreed to, and that the Gas Co. be thanked for this improvement.

17-STREET IMPROVEMENT MATTERS. It was Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street Improvement Sub-Committee, at their meeting of date the 27th inst., be approved and confirmed.

18-NEW BUILDINGS. The Surveyor submitted Notices and Plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz.,

Mr. H. G. Margrett—for Villa in St. Stephen's Road.

Messrs. A. C. and S. Billings—for Additions to their Premises in Portland Square.

Mr. Wm. Moson—for Additions to No. 8, Swindon Street.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.:

#### **STREET IMPROVEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 27th day of February, 1888. Present : Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull, and Councillor Ferguson (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1-COLONNADE IMPROVEMENT AND CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE. The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a letter from the Solicitor to this College, stating that the Charity Commissioners would authorise the sale of the College property for £5,600, subject to the usual notices and payment of the expenses of the sale, and as to the rents and interest, and read his reply thereto ; and a further letter from Mr. Walsh, fixing 24th June next, for completion of the purchase, the Corporation to pay £4 per cent. on the purchase money from the 25th March, and £5 per cent. from 24th June, taking the rent from the 25th March. And It was Resolved, That these terms be agreed to.

The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the Draft of the Agreements with Messrs. Cockrell and others and Messrs. Taylor and Dobell, and others with the Corporation, containing some alterations and additions which had been made therein and thereto since they were last before the Committee. Some of these were agreed to and others struck out or modified.

2-PLAN OF THE ELEVATION. The Town Clerk was directed to confer with Messrs. Winterbothams & Gurney, Mr. Olive's Solicitors, with a view to the settlement of this question.

GEORGE PARSONAGE, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 29th day of February. Present Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Neale, Parsonage, Price, Taylor (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1-DAIRIES AND COWSHEDS ORDER. Applications from the following persons to be Registered as Purveyors of Milk, were read, viz., John Fowler, 1, Silvertown Buildings ; Leigh James, 41, Swindon Street ; and Thomas Organ, Berkeley Dairy, Gloucester Place. And It was Resolved, That Messrs. Fowler and James be Registered ; and that Thomas Organ be Registered as soon as the Corporation Water supply is laid on to the premises.

2-ENTERIC FEVER. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the outbreak of this fever was sensibly decreasing, and that no fresh case had occurred during the last ten days.

3-WATER SUPPLY TO HOUSES. The Medical Officer of Health reported that 367 samples of water taken from the shallow wells of the town, had been found polluted, and the owners of the houses had been requested to have the Corporation Water laid on. He also submitted a Return of the Number and situation of the Houses in which the water had been laid on amounting to 139. Also a List of Houses where the water had not yet been laid on, 182 in number. A Report from the Surveyor, under Sec. 62 of The Public Health Act, 1875, dated the 28th Feb. inst., reporting that the houses mentioned in his Report were without a proper supply of water, and that such supply could be furnished thereto at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Local Act in force in the thorough, was read. And It was Resolved, That Notice be given the Owners of the houses in question, under the said section requiring them within a time to be specified in the notice to obtain such supply and do all such works as may be necessary for that purpose.

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4-DELANCEY FEVER HOSPITAL. The Town Clerk reported that he had written to Dr. Wilson, Hon. Sec. of the Delancey Fever Hospital, as directed at the last meeting of the Committee, in reply to the resolution of the Trustees that they could not in future consent to receive any patients except in conformity with the Rules for the time being in existence, pro-posing a Conference between this Committee and the Trustees on the subject, and he laid before the Committee Dr. Wilson's reply of date the 9th inst., that as the Rules had been materially revised and were in the printer's hands, it would be well to defer the Conference until they were published. A copy of the Town Clerk's reply, suggesting the desirability of having the Conference before the Rules were printed, as it was possible some modification therein might result from the Conference. Also a further letter from Dr. Wilson that as the Rules were in print, and had been passed at a full meeting of the Trustees, they could not be submitted to the meeting proposed. And It was Resolved, That Dr. Wilson be asked if it is the intention of the Trustees to put an end to the existing arrangement between the Town Council and the Trustees.

5-22, MANCHESTER STREET. A written application from the Medical Officer of Health, stating that the drains and water-closet at this house are a nuisance and injurious to health, was laid before the Committee, and the Surveyor is hereby empowered to enter the premises and examine the drains and water-closet. And It was Resolved, That if they are found to be in a bad condition, requiring alteration or amendment, Notice be given to the Owner requiring him to do the necessary works forthwith.

6-SLAUGHTER-HOUSES. HILL & DALE. A Letter from Messrs. Jno. Bell and Sons, trading under the above name at 412 High Street and 2 Colonnade, asking if the Corporation would register as a slaughter-house any premises they could rent or erect, there being no Public Slaughter House placing them in a difficult position, and proposing to submit particulars of premises for approval was read. And It was Resolved, That the applicants be informed that the Committee are very averse to licensing any new Slaughter Houses, but the Committee do not decline to consider any proposition that may be submitted to them.

The adjourned applications of Messrs. Hastings and Phipps for renewal of their licenses, and an application from E. Rymell, of No. 3 High Street, for renewal of his license. Also the adjourned applications of Mr. C. Willis, and Mr. Alfred Mills, for new licenses, were read and considered. And It was Resolved, That the applicants be permitted to use the premises in respect of which the application is made as Slaughter Houses until the 25th Dec. next, provided that a fixed trap and grating be fixed at Mr. Phipps' Slaughter House ; that the floor of Mr. Mills' Slaughter House is relaid and the joints pointed with cement ; and that the floor of Mr. Willis' house is relaid with blue bricks on concrete and pointed with cement.

7-HAYDEN KNOLL SEWAGE FARM. A letter from Mr. F. W. Lawrence, of Churchdown, renewing his offer to take this farm for a year or so at £300 per annum was read. And It was Resolved, That the Committee are not prepared to entertain Mr. Lawrence's offer.

8-INSPECTOR OF NUISANCES. A letter from Mr. Long withdrawing his application for an increase of salary, was read.

9 --ACCOUNTS. The following Accounts were examined and allowed—

W. J. Ursell, Ambulance Driver ... £1 2 0

E. MacDonald, Chemicals ... £4 3 0

J. H. Bennett, Births and Deaths Returns ... £1 2 0

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

#### **WATER COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 29th day of February, 1888. Present : Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Darby, Pippett, Price, and Taylor (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1--MANAGER'S REPORT. The Manager's Report on the Works, and generally, was read and approved.

2--DOWDESWELL WORKS. ARKELL. A letter from Mr. Bonnor, making a claim for compensation on behalf of his client, Mr. Arkell, of Butler's Court Farm, was read. And It was Resolved, That Mr. Bonnor be informed that the. Committee are not prepared to admit that his client has sustained any damage.

3--COSSENS. A letter from Mr. W. T. Cossens, asking that the payment of his late father's annuity should be continued to the end of the quarter after his death, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Committee regret the Council have no power to comply with the application.

4-APPEALS. Various appeals were considered and the amounts settled and adjusted. Applications and agreements for supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

GEO. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 28th day of February, 1888. Present Alderman Simms-Bull : Councillors Cox, Darby, Heath, and Taylor (Alderman Simms-Bull in the chair)—

1-FIRE BRIGADE. A Report from the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade that the Brigade had been called out on the 9th inst. to a Fire at Messrs. Norman and Sawyers, St. George's Hall. Property insured in the Law Union and Salop Fire Insurance Co's. Expenses £2 7s. 6d. have been paid.

2-HACKNEY CARRIAGE LICENSES. Applications from Eliza Fricker, of The Queen's Head Inn, for a Pony Carriage License ; Geo. Charles Holtham, for a transfer to him of the licenses No. 69 and 84 held by his late father, Benjamin Holtam, of Pains-wick Mews; Jno. Smith, of 235, High Street, for extension of time for repairing his carriage for five weeks; and Jno. Beamish, for permission to work another carriage for his carriage No. 45 under repair for a month, were read. And It was Resolved, That the applications of Fricker, Smith, and Beamish, be Granted. Mrs. Fricker's carriage to be subject to approval by the Committee and That the application of Mr. Holtham be adjourned for further consideration.

3-BOILER EXPLOSIONS ACT, 1882. A Letter from the Secretary of the Board of Trade, enclosing specimen of a handbill, giving notice of a conviction for an offence under this Act, and enquiring if the Town Council would like to have some distributed in the interests of public safety, was read, And It was Resolved That he be requested to forward 200 copies, and that the same be distributed amongst steam users and others.

4-SWINE FEVER. The Town Clerk laid before the Committee an Order made by the Privy Council extending the time for making regulations prohibiting and regulating the sale of swine from the 29th inst. to the 31st August next.

5—MARKET TOLLS. A Letter from Mr. J. G. Villar, enquiring whether the Corporation were prepared to lease the Market Tolls, and if so, at what rental was read. Also a letter from the Market Inspector, Mr. Young, calling attention to the fact that he was allowed a commission of 15 per cent. on the Tolls collected as part of his salary. And the further consideration thereof was adjourned.

6-WEIGHING MACHINE. The Surveyor reported That he had had arrangements made and apparatus adapted to the Town Council Weighing Machine for weighing cattle.

7-ACCOUNTS. The following account was examined and allowed:

Arthur Mulcock, work to Weighing Machine ... £5 15s. 5d.

W. SIMMS BULL,

Chairman.

#### **BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 10th day of February, 1888. Present Alderman Simms-Bull, Councillors Ferguson, Lawrence, Taylor, Waghorne, and Norman (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1-RECREATION GROUND. A Letter from Messrs. Winterbotham and Gurney that Mr. Holliday had reduced his price for the small piece of land at the South-West entrance to this ground to £50, and requesting an appointment to complete the existing contract, was read. And It was Resolved, That the matter be completed on the footing of the existing contract, without reference to the piece of land in question.

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 24th day of February, 1888. Present : Alderman Simms-Bull, Councillors Ferguson, Lawrence, Norman, Taylor, and Waghorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

2-SWIMMING BATH. The Manager's Monthly Report, recommending the purchase of 12 dozen drawers at the same price as those previously supplied, was read, And it was Resolved, That the drawers in question be ordered.

3-RECREATION GROUND. The Town Clerk reported that he had settled the form of conveyance with the Vendor's Solicitors, and laid the draft thereof before the Committee, and the Vendor's Solicitor's costs amounting to £27 15/- And It was Resolved, That the Conveyance be approved and settled, and the Costs paid.

4-BYE-LAWS FOR REGULATION OF RECREATION GROUNDS. The subject of the making of Bye-laws was considered and the Town Clerk was instructed to bring up draft of them at the next meeting of this Committee.

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 28th day of February, 1888. Present : The Mayor : Councillors Clark, Cox, Parsonage, and Price (Councillor Cox in the chair)—

1--The Chairman reported that the Committee had visited and inspected the Cemetery on the 8th inst.

2-DESIGNS. The following Designs were examined and approved, viz., Headstones to Francis Hart Dyke, Henry Edward Maunder, Joseph Bourne, Elizabeth Cowling, Thomas Sheen, Benjamin Holtam, and Emily King. Tombs to Frances Deborah Abbott, and Charles Sturt.

3-GRAVE INDICATORS. The Surveyor laid before the Committee specimens of Indicators with Nos. of the grave space which could be supplied at 6/- per dozen painted and numbered. And It was Resolved, That a gross be ordered painted but not numbered.

4-ACCOUNT. The following Account was examined and allowed Superintendent of Cemetery : Wages and Labour £5 8/-

The Superintendent was authorised to procure 1 doz. Besoms, half-a-dozen Wood Scrapers, and a Snow Plough.

GEO. JAS. COX, Chairman.

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 8th day of February, 1888. Present The Mayor, Aldermen Simms-Bull and Thoyts (Alderman Simms Bull in the chair)—

1-PRINTING COMMITTEE MINUTES. The Town Clerk laid before the meeting replies he had received from several Town Clerks as to the practice adopted in their Boroughs in printing the minutes of their Committee Meetings, and the cost of such printing, and it was Resolved, That the Summonses for the meeting of the Town Council be printed as well as the minutes of the proceedings of the Committees, and that Tenders for such printing for the remainder of the year 1888 be advertised for, The Conditions of Tender to be settled by the Town Clerk..

2-- ADVERTISEMENTS. In pursuance of the Resolution of the Baths and Recreation Ground Committee, approved at the last meeting of the Council, the Committee considered the resolution of the General Purposes Committee, of date the 23rd of December, 1876, approved by the Council at its meeting held on the 1st of January, 1877. And it was Resolved That the Committee do recommend the Advertisements of the Town Council to be inserted in the Examiner and Chronicle, and that the other papers published in the town be permitted if they choose to do so to insert such advertisements once at the uniform charge of 5s. each, and that the Chairman of the Committee do give notice at the next meeting of the Town Council of revocation or alteration of the said resolution accordingly.

W. SIMMS BULL, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 23rd day of February, 1888. Present The Mayor, Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull Councillors Darby, Kite, Parsonage and Pippett (Councillor Darby in the chair)-

3- PRINTING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL SUMMONSES AND THE COMMITTEES PROCEEDINGS. The Town Clerk read the Advertisement and Conditions of Contract for this Printing, and Reported that Four

Tenders had been sent in, in answer to the advertisement. The Tenders were opened and were found to be from Mr. J. T. Norman, Mr. G. F. Poole, Mr. W. Hayman, Mr. Built Leonard. And It was Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. G. F. Poole, at 6/6 per page for the summonses and 7/6 per page for the minutes be accepted.

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 1st day of March, 1888. Present: Alderman Simms-Bull ; Councillors Darby, Kite, and Parsonage (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1 BOROUGH TREASURER'S BOND. The Town Clerk laid this Bond before the Committee, duly executed by the Treasurer and the County of Gloucester Bank.

2-COLLECTION OF URBAN RATES. The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 1st inst., was read, shewing that the amount collected to this date on the Borough (Gent. District) Rate was £10486, leaving outstanding £1135 2s. 8d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No. 1, £1729, leaving outstanding £257 15s. 3 ½ d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No. 2, £45, leaving outstanding £6 17s. 7d.

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3 -WATER RATE. The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 1st inst., on the collection of this Rate was read, shewing receipts in Cheltenham to this date of £6127 16s. 10d., leaving outstanding £470 8s. 9d. In Tewkesbury £489, leaving outstanding £25 5s. 1d.

4-ACCOUNTS. The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts during the past month, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums :

#### RECEIPTS

Library (Revenue) ... £5 4 7  
Urban Authority (Revenue) ... £1864 14 9  
Burial Board ... £62 6 0  
Branch Sewers ... £424 0 0  
Water (Revenue) ... £1168 8 4  
Ditto (Capital) ... £1 12 0

#### ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID –

Borough Fund ... £27 7 9  
Library (Revenue) ... £17 17 0  
Ditto (Capital) ... £18 18 6  
Baths (Revenue) ... £7 0 0  
Recreation Grounds (Capital) ... £2227 15 0  
Urban Authority (Revenue) ... £1731 12 7  
Burial Board (Revenue) ... £6 19 3  
Branch Sewers ... £17 1 3  
Water (Revenue) ... £578 5 1  
Ditto (Capital) ... £47 9 7

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

## **Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, March 14th, 1888.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Special Meeting of the Council as such and acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 19th day of March instant, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, 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 receive and consider a report from the Special Committee appointed to enquire into the Highways and Scavenging Departments and to approve, or otherwise, of such report and the proceedings of the said Committee and pass such Resolutions thereon as to the Meeting shall seem meet.
2. To approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee.
3. To read and consider the following Letters, Memorials, and pass Resolutions thereon if need be. Letter from Messrs Ticehurst and Sons re Pittville Estate.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

## **Borough of Cheltenham**

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committee of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 19th of March, 1888.

### **HIGHWAYS AND SCAVENGING COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 12th day of March, 1888. Present Aldermen Ramsay and Simms-Bull : Councillors Connor, Lawrence, Neale, Norman, Parsonage, Taylor and Waghorne (Alderman Ramsay in the chair)—

It was Resolved, that the following Report be agreed to, and be presented to Me Connell at a Special Meeting.

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE appointed by the Town Council on the 6th of February last, consisting of Aldermen Sir Alexander Ramsay and Simms-Bull, and Councillors Connor, Lawrence, Neale, Norman, Parsonage, Taylor and Waghorne, to enquire into the whole subject of the management of the Highways and Scavenging Departments, begs to report that in pursuance of its instructions it has examined the various Officers and others connected with the Departments, and paid a visit of inspection to the Central Depot.

The Committee divided the subject of enquiry under the heads of (1) The Highways; (2) The Ash Collection; (3) The Central Depot.

The Committee finds—

1. As to the Highways

(a) That the condition of the roads and footways is, and has been for some time past, not satisfactory.

(b) That this unsatisfactory condition is due both to faults in administration and in the system of construction and maintenance.

2. As to the Ash Collection and Scavenging:

(a) That it is, and has been for some time past, not satisfactory.

(b) That this is due to deficiency of plant, to faults in the system, and to the great lack of supervision.

3. As to The Depot:

(a) That its management is unsatisfactory in almost every particular.

(b) That this is due to an absence of system and want of proper supervision.

Before apportioning the responsibility for this generally unsatisfactory condition of things it is necessary to recite that since the middle of the year 1884 the office of Highway Inspector, with charge of the departments under Review, at that date existing as a distinct office, was merged in the Borough Surveyorship, under Mr. Sadler, the officer then holding that appointment. For the discharge of the duties of Highway Inspector it was provided that " two competent men " be appointed by the Town Council to assist the Surveyor one of whom should reside at the Depot, and in consideration of allowances of rent and gas " be required to keep a competent representative at the Depot in his absence and keep such books and discharge such duties at the Depot as the Council may from time to time direct." In pursuance of this arrangement, Mr. Packer and Mr. Hill were appointed by the Town Council as Mr. Sadler's assistants, and have since continued to act in that capacity. Mr. Packer was selected by the Town Council as the assistant to reside at the Depot and to discharge the duties required of the assistant so selected, but otherwise than this the division of the two assistant's duties was made by Mr. Sadler, who allotted to Mr. Packer the work of the Ash Collecting Department and to Mr. Hill the charge of the roads.

For the failure of administration the Committee is of opinion that all three of the officers named are responsible. Mr. Sadler has failed to exercise the authority he should have maintained over his assistants. He appears to have taken the position that since the competence of the assistants in the opinion of the Town Council had been affirmed by their appointment to the offices they held, he was not free to exert the control required of him. He has also not given to the departments the time their oversight required a fact due, probably, to the claims of other duties connected with his joint office. Mr. Packer is to blame for frequent and serious neglect of his duties under circumstances which ought to have been earlier brought to the attention of the Council. Mr. Hill is inexperienced in the work allotted to him. In the opinion of the Committee there has been no intentional neglect of his duties.

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The faults of system other than those involved in personal administration.

1. As to the construction and maintenance of the Highways the Committee is of opinion that sufficient care is not taken in the selection and preparation of stone for the roads: that it should be broken more evenly and passed through a screen, and experiments should be tried to ascertain whether sand is the best material for setting the roads. Not enough supervision is given either to the formation or the subsequent maintenance of the roads. The Committee is also of opinion that the present form of Crossings is objectionable, and recommend that the question of their formation be taken into consideration by the Street and Highway Committee, with a view to the laying down an improved kind.

2. The Ash Collection, which has been at no time during the past four years satisfactory, and was not unproved during some months of last year by the attempt under the direction of the Street and Highway Committee to carry out a system of district collection not practicable with the staff available for the purpose. The evidence taken by the Committee shews an absence of system and the existence of abuse and irregularity to a very remarkable extent and extending over a long period. One difficulty in the way of systematic administration is the want of suitable " tips " for the deposit of ashes. This difficulty will, the Committee understands, be removed when the ash destructor at Arle is erected, and no time should be lost in carrying out that work. At present the whole of the collection is made by hired horses and drivers paid a uniform rate of only 5/- a day, a fact which, coupled with the loose supervision, largely accounts for irregularity and dishonesty in the work.

3. At the Depot, the Committee finds an absence of proper books. The plant is to a large extent antiquated and useless. It should be thoroughly revised and strengthened. There are not enough road brushes and scrapers; no snow plough; and seven horses only, which number the Committee believes should be at least doubled. In connection with the horses the Committee had to enquire into the circumstances under which six had been lost by death during the past year. It found that with one exception the horses were all very old, and several of them should have been replaced earlier; but some arrangement should be made for proper veterinary attendance. The condition of the stables and the quality of the provender was generally good, except the oats which were of a light quality; but the Committee is strongly of opinion that the forage and provender should be purchased by tender submitted to the Council.

In connection with the management of the Depot, the Committee is informed that the Streets and Highway Committee rarely, if ever, makes official inspection of the Depot. It is of opinion that such inspection should be thorough and frequent, and generally it considers that the unsatisfactory condition of the Department should have been earlier discovered and remedied.

The Committee recommends:

1. That the former division of the Borough Surveyorship and Inspectorship of Highways be again reverted to.
2. That Mr. Sadler continue the office of Borough Surveyor, with leave to carry on private practice, at a salary of £350.
3. That a Highway Inspector be appointed to undertake the repair, cleansing and management of the Highways, including crossings and the footways, and the scavenging and ash collection, and be solely

responsible therefor. That he be required to live at the Depot and be allowed coal and gas, with a salary of £200 a year.

4. That a Clerk be appointed at the Depot to have charge of all accounts there, at a salary of £50 a year.

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Highway Inspector (Sadler)	<u>£350</u>
	£650
1875-77 Borough Surveyor and Highway Inspector (Humphris)	£650
Clerks	<u>£66</u>
	£716
1877-79 Borough Surveyor (Humphris)	£400
Highway Inspector (McIlquham)	£200
Clerk at Depot	£54
Hawkes	<u>£78</u>
	£732

1879-84 The same salaries, Mr. Sadler taking the place of Mr. Humphris £654  
[£400 Surveyor]

1884-88 Borough Surveyor and Inspector	£525
Two Assistants, each £100	<u>£200</u>
	£725

1875-77 are the only years in which there was no division of officers before 1884.

In 1871-75 and 1879-84 the Borough Surveyor was allowed to carry on a private practice. Usually the Highway Inspector has been allowed the use of a horse, which has not been the case since 1884: and there are some other minor variations in the materials for comparison of cost. But the cost of 1884-1888 may be taken at £725. This exceeds by £125 the amount disposed of by the above recommendations, but the Committee is of opinion that this sum will be wisely spent in the appointment of two or more gangers or foremen to ensure more thorough supervision. This is a detail that should be left until the Highway Inspector is appointed, with whom should rest the appointment and responsibility.

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The Committee is further of opinion that a bye-law should be adopted requiring the occupiers of houses and other premises to cleanse the footways in front thereof.

It is also essential to the proper performance of the work of the departments that there should be a revision of the staff and care taken that the men employed are physically equal to the work they have to do, and it is likewise recommended that hauliers should be paid 6s. 6d. a day instead of 5/- and that a proper day's work should be required.

Other recommendations the Committee make are: That the site of the Destructor and the Central Depot be placed in Telephonic communication with each other and the latter with the Municipal Offices. That all orders for provender, forage, materials and plant, be as far as possible, given by the several Committees having charge of the matters for which they are required and where practicable the supply should be submitted to tender. Horse droppings to be collected.

In conclusion the Committee begs to state that the above report and recommendations are the result of ten prolonged meetings at which nearly every member of the Committee was present, and have been unanimously arrived at.

It was further Resolved, that if the foregoing Report be approved the Chairman do at the next Monthly Meeting of the Council, give the necessary Notice of Revocation or Alteration of such previously existing Resolutions as will require to be Revoked or Altered in accordance with the Recommendations of the Committee.

ALEXR. E. RAMSAY,

Chairman.

### **Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, March 29th, 1888.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Monthly Meeting of the Council, as such, and acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Tuesday, the 3rd day of Aril next, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, 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. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the following Committees:

THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. THE WATER COMMITTEE. THE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. THE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

4. The Chairman of the Finance Committee to move " That the Resolution of the General Purposes Committee of date the 23rd December 1876, relative to the insertion of Advertisements in the Local

Newspapers, be altered in accordance with the Finance Committee's Resolution on the same subject."

5. The Chairman of the Highways and Scavenging Special Committee to give notice of his intention to move at the next Monthly Meeting of the Council " That the Resolutions of the Street and Highway Committee of date the 20th August, 1884, relative to the offices of the Borough Surveyor and Highway Inspectorship, the Resolution of the Town Council of date the 6th October 1884, approving the same or any other Resolution or Resolutions inconsistent with the Resolution passed by the Town Council at their Meeting of date the 19th March 1888, approving the Report of the Highways and Scavenging Committee as amended by such Resolution be rescinded or altered in accordance with the recommendations contained in the said Report as so amended and such other Resolution or Resolutions as may be necessary to carry out such Report."

6. To read and consider the following Letters, Memorials, &c., and pass Resolutions thereon if need be. Gen. McCallum re Footpath in Sandford Road. Walter Long re Footpath in Carlton Place, Swindon Road. Gen. Sir Dighton Probyn re address to Prince and Princess of Wales.

7. Other Notices of Motion.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

### **Borough of Cheltenham**

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the meeting of the Council, to be held on Tuesday, the 3rd of April, 1888.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 27th day of March, 1888—Present Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Cox, Darby, Ferguson, Heath, Lawrence and Waghorne (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1—GAS EXAMINER. The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read. Average illuminating power 16.60 candles. Test for purity proceeding.

2-GAS INSPECTOR. The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector was read. Average hourly consumption of gas 4.179 cubic feet. The Book kept at the Police Office was laid before the Committee. And It was Resolved, That the attention of the Gas Company be called to the large number of lamps that have been extinguished and burned dimly.

3-PAVEMENT IN CLARENCE STREET It was Resolved That Notice be given to the Owner to repair the Grating and Cellar Covering, and that the Surveyor be empowered to make arrangements with the Owner for the substitution of a more suitable grating or fixed pavement lights.

4-CROSSING OVER LANSDOWN PLACE ROAD AT NORTHWOLD. This matter was further considered, And It was Resolved That the Committee consider the Crossing needs no alteration.

5—WITCOMB PLACE. It was Resolved That the Committee consider this road, so far as the needs of the public are concerned, is sufficiently lighted, and that so far as it is public, the road will be repaired.

6—DAMAGE TO ROADS BY EXTRAORDINARY TRAFFIC OF GAS CO. Report of the Surveyor estimating the amount of damage done to the roads mentioned in his Report at £78 5s. 3d., was read. And It was Resolved That a claim be made on the party or parties liable thereto for payment of the amount in question.

7- COURTENAY STREET. A Memorial from Mr. Alfred Matthews and others praying that this Road may be repaired in such a manner as to be declared a Public Road was read, And It was Resolved That the Surveyor do bring up an amended Specification accordingly.

8- BENNINGTON STREET. A Memorial from Mr. A. H. Nott and others praying that directions might be given to put this Street in proper repair was read, And the consideration thereof was adjourned, the Town Clerk in the meantime to ascertain if there is any probability of the proposed improvement being carried out, and the Surveyor to bring up Specifications for the Repair of the Road, one on the basis of its remaining a Private Road, the other assuming it to be declared Public.

9-FOOTPATHS IN ALBION STREET. A letter from Mr. J. Chambers calling attention to the state of the footpaths in Albion Street near to St. John's Church was read, And It was Resolved That Mr. Chambers be informed the bad state of these footpaths at the time of his complaint, viz. 5th March, was caused by the heavy fall of Snow.

10-ROADS AND FOOTPATHS IN HATHERLY DISTRICT. Letters from Col. Theobald and Arthur Mather, Esq., complaining of the bad condition of the Hatherly Road Footpath and other Footpaths and Roads in the Hatherley neighbourhood were read, And It was Resolved That the same be adjourned for further consideration.

11-FOOTPATH IN OLD BATH ROAD. A letter from Mr. H. S. Whittuck calling attention to the state of this Footpath and suggesting that the Asphalte should be continued from the London Road to the end of Waresley Villas, the Footpath having got into a very bad state of repair and having remained so for some time past was read, And It was Resolved that the Footpath be paved five feet in width and bordered and channelled from High Street to the end of Waresley Villas, and the Surveyor was directed to bring up a Specification accordingly.

12-HALES ROAD. It was Resolved That the Footpath on the West side of this Road, from London Road to Sydenham Road South be paved five feet in width and bordered and channelled, and that the Surveyor do bring up a Specification of the necessary works to be done by the abutting Owners, And That the Chairman do at the next Council Meeting give Notice of Motion for rescindment or alteration of the Resolution of the Street and Highway Committee of date the 30th August last, and the Resolution of the Council approving same of date the 5th September last.

13—STREET IMPROVEMENT MATTERS. It was Resolved That the proceedings of the Street Improvement Sub-Committee at their Meeting of date the 26th inst. be approved and confirmed. Mr. Knight's letter referred to in the proceedings of the Sub-Committee was considered, And It was Resolved That unless he objects to act the Committee see no reason to alter his appointment as sole Arbitrator in the matter of the Colonnade Improvement.

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14 –NEW BUILDINGS. The Surveyor laid before the Committee Notices and Plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new Buildings all of which were approved, viz. :— Messrs. Cummings and Slade for Additions to Regent Hall, Regent Street ; Mr. W. T. Pates for a House in Marle Hill Road ; Mr. Edwin Beckinsale for additions to No. 149 High Street ; Mr. Edwin Lawrence for additions to 39 Montpellier Terrace ; J. T. Agg-Gardner, Esq., for additions to Evesham House, Pittville.

The Surveyor also submitted Notice and Plan received by him from R. C. Chapman, Esq., for converting a building in Cakebridge Terrace into Two Cottages, and the same was not approved.

GEO. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

#### **STREET IMPROVEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 26th day of March, 1888. Present Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull, and Councillor Ferguson (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)

1-COLONNADE IMPROVEMENT. The Town Clerk laid the Drafts of the Agreements for carrying out this improvement before the Committee, And It was Resolved, That the same be agreed to as now altered, except the clause in the Draft agreement with Messrs. Taylor and others relating to the loading and unloading of furniture and similar vans.

A Letter from Mr. Knight, on the subject of his appointment as Arbitrator, was read, And It was Resolved, That the consideration thereof be left to the full Committee.

2-Re OLIVE. A Letter from Messrs. Winterbotham and Gurney, stating that they would advise their client to pay such portion of the claim of the Messrs. Harward's solicitors, as would correspond with his portion of the entire frontage, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Committee would agree to discharge the claim in question on payment by Mr. Olive of £50.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 28th day of March—Present: Alderman Parsonage; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Neale, Norman, Parsonage, Price, and Taylor (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1-WATER SUPPLY TO HOUSES. The Medical Officer of Health submitted a List of Houses in respect of which Notices to lay on the Corporation Water had not been complied with. And It was Resolved, That the Town Clerk and the Medical Officer of Health do take such steps as may be necessary to support the action of the Corporation in carrying out Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act.

The Medical Officer of Health submitted a List of 119 Houses, the water in wells of which houses had been found to be polluted, and a Report from the Surveyor of date the 27th inst., that the Houses mentioned therein were without a proper supply of water, and that such supply could be furnished

thereto at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Local Act in force in the Borough, was read. And It was Resolved, That Notices be given to the Owners of the Houses in question, requiring them to obtain such supply, and do all such Works as may be necessary for that purpose. The question of the best mode of supplying water to the houses in Jersey Street and Pantile Row, was referred to the Water Committee, with a request to consider the advisability of supplying water to blocks of small houses by one tap.

2--DAIRIES AND COWSHEDS ORDER. An application from Mr. Wm. Coombs, of 5, Great Western Terrace, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Applicant be registered.

3-DELANCEY FEVER HOSPITAL. A Letter from Dr. E. T. Wilson, stating, in reply to this Committee's Resolution, passed at their last meeting, that he was unaware of any intention on the part of the Trustees to terminate the existing arrangement, and forwarding copy of the Report for 1887, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Committee are glad to find that the natural inference which might be drawn from the Resolution of the Trustees, a copy of which accompanied Dr. Wilson's letter of date 4th January last, was not intended, and they now clearly understand that Rule 7 will not apply to patients sent in by order of the Medical Officer of Health.

4-QUARTERLY REPORT of the Medical Officer of health.—This Report was read.

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5-GENERAL HOSPITAL—It appearing from the Quarterly Report of the Medical Officer of Health that the epidemic of enteric fever had practically ceased, It was Resolved, That, having regard to what passed at the conference between a Deputation from the Hospital Board and this Committee, held on the 20th Dec. last, and the Resolution of this Committee of date the 28th Dec. last, the Hospital authorities be now requested to furnish the Committee with a list of the names and addresses of the patients, being resident within the Borough, suffering from typhoid fever who have been in-patients at the Hospital, the period during which they were respectively so treated, and the cost of such treatment.

6-SEWAGE FARMS.—It was Resolved that these farms be Let by Auction, unless the Surveyor, with the authority of the Committee, succeeds in letting the farms or any part thereof by private contract, on or before the 9th of April next.

7-HEYDEN FARM—Lawrence.— A further Letter from Mr. Lawrence stating that he had omitted to state in his former letters that he was prepared to give good security for the due performance of his contract, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Committee see no reason to alter their previous resolution.

8-DELANCEY FEVER HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS.—Accounts for treating patients at the Delancey Fever Hospital, amounting to £7, were examined and allowed.

9-ACCOUNTS. The following were examined and allowed, viz.,

W. M. Gammond, Sickness Returns ... £2 10 0

J. H. Bennett, Returns of Births and Deaths ... £1 0 10

J. T. Norman, Printing Medical Officer of Health's Annual Report ... £12 11 6

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

#### **WATER COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 29th day of March, 1888. Present : Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Heath, Pippett, and Taylor (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1-MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT. The Manager's usual Monthly Report on the state of the Works, and other matters, was read and approved.

2-LIVERPOOL WATER BILL OPPOSITION. The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the Bills of Costs in this matter, as taxed, as follows:

Parliamentary Agents' Costs, including Disbursements amounting to £521 16/8 and Costs of Taxation ...	£648 0 3
Town Clerk's ditto, including Disbursements amounting to £18 3 9	<u>£153 9 10</u>
	£801 10 1
Paid on Account	<u>£500 0 0</u>
	£301 10 1

And It was Resolved, That the same be allowed and paid.

3-GIBBONS— BODDINGTON ESTATE. A Letter from Messrs. Whitcomb and Gardom, solicitors, requesting that the Guage to be placed in the Chelt, on this Estate, in accordance with the Act of Parliament and the agreement entered into with Mr. Gibbons, should be immediately commenced, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Manager do take the necessary steps to erect this Guage.

4-SUPPLY OF WATER BY STAND-PIPES. The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a Resolution passed by the Public Health Committee this morning on this subject, and the same having been fully considered and discussed, It was Resolved, That there are many objections to the erection of Stand Pipes, and the Committee cannot therefore recommend the erection of them, but that every facility and encouragement shall be given in the case of poor properties for bringing the supply pipes and taps inside the houses.

5—APPEALS. Various Appeals were considered and the rates settled and adjusted. Applications and Agreements for supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 27th day of March, 1888. Present: Alderman Simms-Bull ; Councillors Cox, Darby, Heath, Taylor and Waghorne (Alderman Simms-Bull in the chair)—

1-FIRE BRIGADE. A Report from the Superintendent that the Brigade had been called out to a fire at 117 ½ High Street, in the occupation of Mr. L. Champion, Italian Warehouseman, on the 7th inst., and that the Bill of expenses, amounting to £3 had been sent in to the Atlas and Fire Insurance Offices, in which the property was insured, was read.

2-HACKNEY CARRIAGES. Applications from Mrs. C. Fowles, of the British Mews, and Mr. C. Davies, of Oxford Mews, for per-mission to use another carriage during repairs to the licensed carriages, were read. And It was Resolved, That permission be given. The application of Mr. G. C. Holtam for the licenses of carriages Nos. 6g and 84, held by his late father, B. Holtam, to be continued, was further considered. And It was Resolved, That permission be given to work the carriages under the existing licenses until the next Licensing Meeting.

3-MARKET TOLLS. Mr. Villar's offer to rent these Tolls was further considered, and the Town Clerk was instructed to confer with him on the subject.

4-CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACT. Pleuro-Pneumonia.--The Town Clerk laid before the Committee an Order of the Privy Council, dated the 6th inst., termed " The Pleuro-Pneumonia Slaughter Order, 1888." And It was Resolved, That public notice of the same be given.

W. SIMMS BULL,

Chairman.

### **BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 22nd day of March, 1888. Present Alderman Simms-Bull, Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Lawrence, Taylor, Waghorne, and Norman (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1-SWIMMING BATH. The Manager's Report was read. It was Resolved, That 12 dozen Drawers at 3/11 per dozen be ordered from Mr. Lance.

It was Resolved, That the Bath be opened on Tuesday, the 3rd April, the times and prices being the same as last year, Notice of the opening to be given by Handbills.

3-RECREATION GROUND BYE-LAWS. The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the Draft of Bye-laws for Regulation of the Recreation Ground. The Committee considered and settled the same, and the Town Clerk was directed to forward them to the Local Government Board for their approval.

The Committee proceeded to view the Ground. And It was Resolved, That the existing cottage be taken down and the ground cleared. That the Caretaker's Cottage be erected on the plot of land opposite Brunswick Road, and that one entrance to the ground be made at that point, the other

entrance being, as at present, opposite Made Hill Parade Road. That a shelter, 50 feet by 12 feet be erected at the North-West end adjoining the occupation Road, and That the Surveyor do bring up Plans and Specifications of the above-mentioned works.

4—PITTVILLE ESTATE. The Letter from Messrs. Ticehurst, read at the meeting of the Town Council on the 19th inst., and referred to this Committee, was considered. And the Town Clerk was directed to enquire and report to the Committee as to the present position of the estate, and the facts connected therewith.

5-ACCOUNT.—The following Account was examined and allowed, viz.,  
Knight & Co., Model Bye-Laws 4/3

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 27th day of March, 1888. Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Clark, Cox, and Heath, (Councillor Cox in the chair)—

1-DESIGNS. The following designs were examined and approved : Headstones to Sophia Cowmeadow, May Wilson, Sarah Seward and Mary Heath. Tombs to Martha Finch, and Mary C. F. De Castro.

2-ACCOUNT. The Superintendent's Account for Labourer's Wages, £8 2s., was examined and allowed.

GEO. JAS. COX, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 23rd day of March, 1888. Present The Mayor ; Alderman Sir A. Ramsay ; Councillors Neale, Parsonage, and Taylor (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the chair)—

1- LIBRARIAN'S MONTHLY REPORT. This Report was read. He also Reported, That the following Gifts had been made to the Library during the month, viz.,

Committee of the Cobden Club 6 Pamphlets

Trustees of the British Museum 3 Vols.

E. Healy Thompson, Esq 4 Vols.

Trustees of Delancey Hospital Report for 1887

Libraries at Liverpool, Nottingham & Preston Annual Reports

2-- SUB-COMMITTEE'S REPORT. The Sub-Committee Reported, That Books had been purchased at the sale of the late Mr. Willmott's Library for £3 14/6. That Miss Lucy Stokes had remitted a cheque

for £3 6/9 for repairs of some of the books recently presented by her. They also recommended the purchase of books selected by them for £6 5/6, and that a box be placed in the Library to receive donations towards the expense of furnishing the New Library. And It was Resolved, That the Report be Approved and Adopted.

3-LIBRARY BUILDING. A Letter from Mr. Knight, asking if the Committee would like to have plate-glass in the lower lights of the windows on the ground floor on the South and West front, the extra expense of which would be £25, was read. And It was Resolved, That the specification be adhered to.

4-ACCOUNTS. —The following Accounts were examined and ordered to be paid£,

Mr. J. J. Banks ...	£18 14 1
Messrs. Norman, Sawyer, & Co. ...	£10 18 3
“ “ “ “ ...	£0 12 7
Mr. J. J. Pink ...	£3 14 6
Wages Account ...	£12 13 6

ALEXR. E. RAMSAY, Chairman.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 29th day of March, 1888. Present: The Mayor, Alderman Simms Bull ; Councillors Darby, Kite, Parsonage and Pippett (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1-RECREATION GROUNDS LOAN. It was Resolved, That the sum of £2,200 the amount of the Loan sanctioned by the Local Government Board on the 14th October last be raised by one loan by the issue of nominal Debentures under the Local Loans Act, and that such Loan be dated the 10th April next, and that a Sinking Fund be established for the discharge of such Loan within the period of 50 years as prescribed by the said Sanction.

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It was also Resolved That that the sum of £800, the amount of the Loan sanctioned by the Local Government Board on the 14th October last be raised by one Loan by the issue of nominal Debentures under the Local Loans Act, and that such Loan be dated the 10th April next, and that a Sinking Fund be established for the discharge of such Loan within the period of 20 years as prescribed by the said Sanction.

The Town Clerk reported That Mr. William Glover Cooley, of No. 20 Broomhall Road, Sheffield, Gentleman, had offered to lend the before-mentioned sums of £2,200 and £800 at 3 ½ per cent. for three years certain, to be called in or paid off by either party respectively on giving six months' previous notice at any time after that period, And It was Resolved That the Accounts in question be borrowed from him on those terms, and that Debentures be issued for the same and the Common Seal be affixed to them accordingly.

2-WATER LOAN. It was Resolved That a further sum of £2,000 be borrowed for the purposes of the Corporation Water Acts as part of the Loan of £30,000, and Mr. William Glover Cooley, of No. 20

Broomhall Road, Sheffield, Gentleman, having offered to lend the same at £3 10s. per cent. for three years certain, and to be called in or paid off by either party respectively on six months' previous Notice, at any time after that period, a Debenture be issued to him for that amount, and that the Common Seal be affixed thereto.

3-DESTRUCTOR. The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the amount of his costs and charges in the matter of the application for the Provincial Order and accompanying Act of Parliament in this case as issued by the Taxing Master of the House of Commons amount including Disbursements and Costs of Taxes to £40 10 (and of which £6 12 5d. had been already paid), And It was Resolved that the same be allowed and the balance paid.

4—CONSOLIDATION OF LOANS. The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee Draft of a Report he proposed making on this subject.

5 AUDITOR'S ELECTION. The letter from Mr. H. G. Margrett to the Town Clerk read at the Meeting of the Council and referred to this Committee requesting to be informed of the total cost of this Election and asking if he might defray the same was read, And It was Resolved that the Committee are not prepared to recommend the acceptance of Mr. Margrett's offer.

6— COLLECTION OF URBAN RATES. The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 1st inst., was read, shewing that the amounts collected to this date on the Borough (Genl. District) Rate was £10,606 0s. 8d., leaving outstanding £1,015 2s. 0d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No. 1, £1,739, leaving outstanding £257 15s. 3 ½ d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No 2, £45, leaving outstanding £6 17s. 7d.

7- WATER RATE.—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 1st inst., on the collection of this Rate was read, shewing receipts in Cheltenham to this date of £6421 17s. 3d., leaving outstanding £212 3s. 6d. In Tewkesbury £490 17s. 10d. leaving outstanding £98 5s. 7d.

8— ADVERTISEMENTS. The re-consideration of this matter, which was referred back to the Committee by the Council, was, owing to the length of the Meeting, adjourned.

9—ACCOUNTS. The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts during the past month, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums:

RECEIPTS.	Library (Revenue) ...	£6 15 3	
	Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£209 5 8	
	Burial Board ...	£43 5 6	
	Water (Revenue) ...	£480 15 4	
	“ Capital ...	£208 17 3	
ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID -	Borough Fund ...	£ 637 1 3	
	Library (Revenue) ...	£86 12 11	
	Ditto (Capital) ...	£800 0 9	
	Baths (Revenue) ...	£5 0 0	} Referred back to Committee
	Recreation Grounds (Capital) ...	£5 2 3	
	Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£16 12 7	
	Ditto (Capital) ...	£33 17 7	
	Burial Board (Revenue) ...	£54 12 0	
	Branch Sewers ...	£1110 12 1	

Water (Revenue) ...	£2316 19 7
Ditto (Capital) ...	£762 16 8

E. H. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

**Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, May 2nd, 1888.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Monthly Meeting of the Council, as such, and acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 7th day of May next, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, 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. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the following Committees :

THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. THE WATER COMMITTEE. THE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE, And to make Bye-Laws under Municipal Corporations Act, 1882. THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE, And to make Bye-Laws for regulation of Public Swimming Baths. THE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. THE TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

4. The Chairman of the Finance Committee to move " That the Resolution of the General Purposes Committee of date the 23rd December 1876, relative to the insertion of Advertisements in the Local Newspapers, be altered in accordance with the Finance Committee's Resolution on the same subject."

5. The Chairman of the Highways and Scavenging Special Committee to move " That the Resolutions of the Street and Highway Committee of date the 20th August, 1884, relative to the offices of the Borough Surveyor and Highway Inspectorship, the Resolution of the Town Council of date the 6th October 1884, approving the same or any other Resolution or Resolutions inconsistent with the Resolution passed by the Town Council at their Meeting of date the 19th March 1888, approving the Report of the Highways and Scavenging Committee as amended by such Resolution be rescinded or altered in accordance with the recommendations contained in the said Report as so amended and such other Resolution or Resolutions as may be necessary to carry out such Report."

6. Alderman Col. Thoyts to move " That the Resolution passed at the meeting of the Council on the 19th March, 1888, approving the Report of the Highway and Scavenging Committee, as amended by such Resolution be rescinded "—and also, in the event of the rescindment of such resolution to

further move " That the Report of the said Committee be approved, subject to an amendment to be proposed by him relative to the duties and salary of the Borough Surveyor."

7. Councillor Clark to move : " That so much of the resolution of the Town Council, dated the 19th day of March, 1888, as relates to the salary of the Borough Surveyor be rescinded, and that in lieu thereof his salary be fixed at a sum not exceeding £350 per annum, he being allowed to carry on his private practice."

8. The Chairman of the Street and Highway Committee to move " That the resolution of the Street and Highway Committee of date the 30th August last, relative to the footpath on West side of Hales Road, and the resolution of the Council approving same, of date the 5th Sept. last, be rescinded or amended in accordance with the Street and High-way Committee's resolution on the same subject of date the 27th March last."

9. Councillor Lawrence to move " That Standing Order No. 13 be altered by omitting the words " Quarterly " or " Monthly," and that the operation of Order No. 18 be confined to the Standing Committees."

10. Notices of Motion.

11. To read and consider the following Letters, and pass a Resolution thereon if need be : Messrs. Holme & King re damage to roads by extraordinary traffic. Mr. J. H. Mcllquham re inspectorship of Highways.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

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

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 7th of May, 1888.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 16th day of April, 1888—Present : Aldermen Parsonage) and Simms Bull ; Councillors Cox, Darby, Ferguson, Heath, and Lawrence (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1—STREET IMPROVEMENTS. It was Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street Improvement Committee, at their meeting of to-day be approved.

2—MAIN ROADS. A Letter from the Clerk of the Peace was read stating that the application of the Corporation under sec. 13 of the Highways and Locomotives Act had been referred back to the Committee on a point as to which if they were satisfied the proper County Contribution for the past year would be paid ; but that with respect to the application under sec. 15 of the Act the Court had only accepted as a Main Road so much of the road as lies between the westward boundary of the Borough, where it joins Swindon Parish, near Moore's Farm, and the Midland (High Street) Railway Bridge. And It was Resolved, That in view of the approaching change in the County Government, the

Committee recommend that the Justices be requested not to proceed any further in the matter of the last-mentioned application, and that the same be accordingly withdrawn, and a draft letter of the Town Clerk to the Clerk of the Peace, conveying that intimation, was approved.

3--- HIGHWAY INSPECTORSHIP. It was Resolved, That in the event of the previous Resolutions on the subject of the Borough Surveyor and his assistants being altered at the next meeting of the Council in accordance with the recommendations of the Special Highway and Scavenging Committee and Notice of Motion given at the last meeting of the Council so far as the Highway Inspectorship is concerned, candidates for that office be advertised for, and that the Town Clerk do prepare draft of an advertisement accordingly for the next meeting of the Committee.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 18th day of April, 1888. Present Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull; Councillors Cox, Darby, Ferguson, Heath, and Lawrence (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

4- ASSISTANT SURVEYORSHIP T. PACKER. A letter from Mr. Thos. Packer, withdrawing the letter he had written to the Council, read at the last meeting of the Council and tendering his resignation of his office forthwith, was read. And It was Resolved, That Mr. Packer's resignation be accepted, possession of the house at the Central Depot to be given up on Saturday next. The Surveyor was instructed to make such temporary arrangements for the discharge of the duties heretofore performed by Mr. Packer as he shall think fit.

5—COLONNADE IMPROVEMENT. The Town Clerk laid these drafts again before the Committee. And It was Resolved That with respect to clause 4 in the draft agreement with Messrs. Cockrell and others. Messrs. Dobell be required to decide at once whether they will or will not bring forward their premises to the line shewn on the plan. And that with respect to the clause in the other agreement with Messrs. Taylor and others relating to Mr. George's vans the Committee must adhere to the clause as it now stands, without the addition required by Mr. George.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 1st day of May, 1888. Present Aldermen Parsonage and Simms Bull ; Councillors Cox, Darby, Ferguson, Heath, Lawrence and Waghorne (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

6—GAS EXAMINER. The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read. Average illuminating power 16.35 candles. Sulphur average 13.7 grains per 100 cubic feet.

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7- GAS INSPECTOR. The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector was read. Average hourly consumption of gas 4.159 cubic feet. The book kept at the Police Office was laid before the Committee. And It was Resolved, That the attention of the Gas Company be called to the large

number of lamps which have been during the past month reported by the police as burning dimly-64 in number and 16 out altogether, not one of the lamps in question being a metered lamp.

8-COURTENAY STREET & BENNINGTON STREET. Specifications from the Surveyor, of date the 30th day of April, of the Works required to be done to the above Streets were read and approved. And It was Resolved, That the necessary Plans, Sections, and Estimates be prepared, and Notices be given under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owners of the Premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said streets requiring to be levelled, paved, metalled, flagged, channelled. or made good ; requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days ; and that, if such notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

9-OLD BATH ROAD & HALES ROAD. Specifications from the Surveyor, of date the 30th day of April, of Works required to be done to the above streets, together with Memorials from E. Wilks and others, and H. Arundel and others respectively, suggesting that these footpaths be repaired with asphalte and not paved, were read and the specifications approved. And It was Resolved, that Notice be given under Section 44 of The Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said streets, requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, flagged and channelled ; requiring them to do the specified Works within 28 days : and that, if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

10-SPECIAL WORKS—ST. JAMES'S SQUARE & ALBION STREET. The Surveyor reported that the Special Works ordered to be done in these streets had been completed at a cost of £79 13s. 11d. and £72 4s. 11d. respectively. And It was Resolved, That application be made to the abutting owners for the amounts respectively due from them.

11-ROADS & FOOTPATHS IN HATHERLY DISTRICT. The memorial of Col. Theobald and others, and the letter from Arthur Mather, Esq. on the subject of these roads and footpaths were again considered. And It was Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a specification for an asphalte footpath along the S.E. side of the Hatherly Road.

12—EXMOUTH STREET. John Sims and E. Dix—Letters from Mr. John Sims and Mrs. Elizabeth Dix, relative to a demand made upon them for the cost of special works executed by the Council at their properties in this street were read, and adjourned for further consideration.

13—SANDFORD ROAD. A Memorial from Gen. McCallum and others, asking for the footpath in this road to be properly repaired was read, and adjourned for further consideration.

13-COLLEGE ROAD -H. H. Martyn —An application from Mrs. E. M. Willett for permission to lay down a crossing at the gate-way of Mr. Martyn's premises at the corner of College Road was read. And It was Resolved, That the Surveyor bring up a specification for a 6ft. pavement from the High Street to the Chelt footpath, to include a crossing to the carriage way.

13-- CARLTON PLACE, Swindon Road. -A Letter from Mr. Walter Long, calling attention to the state of the footpath in Carlton Place was read, and adjourned for further consideration.

14 -ST. ANDREWS CHURCH. A Letter from C. Wilson, Esq., on behalf of the Trustees of this church, requesting the Committee to consider the propriety of removing the gas lamp from the rear of Messrs. Furber & Son's premises, to the opposite side of Montpellier Street was read. And It was Resolved, That the lamp be removed, as suggested.

15-ACCIDENT from Steam Roller—Holmes—A Letter from Charles Holmes on the subject of an accident which betel him in the High Street on the 29th March last, through his horse having been frightened by the steam roller and bolting, and asking for some recompense for his loss was read. And It was Resolved, That under the circumstances of the applicant having disregarded two plain notice boards the Committee, while regretting the accident, are not prepared to recommend any payment.

16-ROMAN ROAD, ST. MARKS. A letter from Mr. S. Randle calling attention to the bad state of this road and the footpath thereof, which in bad weather is almost impassable, was read, and adjourned for the Committee to view.

17—SURFACE WATER ON GLOUCESTER ROAD. A letter from Mr. W. Witchell stating that for the want of a gully in the road at or near Hope Villa, the cellars of the three houses, Hope Villa, Clanfield and Lewisville, on the Gloucester Road, are during wet weather flooded with surface water from the road, and asking for the immediate attention of the Committee to the same was read. And It was Resolved, That the Surveyor do inspect the place and report thereon to this Committee.

18-BARNARDS ROW & LITTLES COURT, NEW STREET—A Letter from Councillor Parsonage calling attention to the condition of the footpaths on each side of the Soup Kitchen in New Street and leading into Barnards ROW and Littles Court respectively, and suggesting that a little outlay in asphaltting would meet the necessities of the cases was read. And It was Resolved. That the works already ordered be carried out and that an additional specification for the remainder of the works be prepared by the Borough Surveyor.

19 - CHELT FOOTPATH between College Road and Sandford Mead—The Surveyor reported that his attention had been called to a tree in a dangerous state growing in the footpath adjoining the Chelt between the above points, and he was instructed to remove the same.

20—FIELD LODGE, College Road- The Surveyor having reported that a wall at Field Lodge was in a dangerous condition. It was Resolved, That notice be given to the Owner to at once repair same.

21- PORTLAND STREET- -It was Resolved That the Surveyor do bring up a specification for repairs to the footpath on the west side of this street to be executed by the abutting owners.

22- PUBLIC PUMPS -It was Resolved, That the public pumps be removed and sold.

23-HIGHWAY INSPECTORSHIP arid CLERKSHIP at the Central Depot It was Resolved That in the event of the motion of which the Chairman of the Special Highway and Scavenging Committee has given notice being carried, this Committee be em-powered to issue the necessary advertisements for applicants for these offices.

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24- STREET IMPROVEMENT MATTERS-It was resolved that the proceedings of Street Improvement Sub-Committee at their meeting of date the 16<sup>th</sup> ultimo be approved and confirmed.

25-COLONNADE IMPROVEMENT-Mr. Sharpe attended the Committee and it was arranged that no objection should be made to his opening lights in the side wall of his premises as brought forward on his agreeing to close them if at any future time Messrs. Dobell bring forward their premises in pursuance of the permission given.

A letter from Messrs. Harward &c. of date the 25<sup>th</sup> ulto in reply to the Town Clerk's letter adhering to their demand to be paid interest on the amount of their claim was read with the draft of proposed reply thereto and it was resolved that the same be approved and sent.

26-NEW BUILDINGS- The Surveyor laid before the Committee Notices and Plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect New Buildings all of which were approved viz:-

Mr. Alfred Waine for two cottages in Sandfield Road  
Mr. S. H. Phipps for additions to Marlborough Cottage, Bath Road  
Messrs. Green &c. for additions to Furniture Shop. Suffolk Road  
The Rev. J. G. Derrick for additions to No. 2, Royal Crescent  
Mr. Charles Winstone for a Villa in Hewlett Road  
James McLachlan Esquire for additions to Holland House  
Mr. Richards for a Villa in Oakfield Street, Tivoli

The Surveyor also laid before the Committee Notices and Plans received by him from Mr. R. C. Chapman for the conversion of a building in Cakebridge Terrace into two cottages, from Mr. Josiah Jones for Coach House & Stables at Burton Cottage, Portland Street and from Mr. Haywood Esquire for additions to No. 18, Royal Crescent, the first of which was approved subject to the closets & washrooms being places at the back of the cottages and the two latter were not approved.

Geo. Parsonage, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 9th day of April, 1888—Present : Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson Norman, Parsonage, and Price (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1—SEWAGE FARMS—Heyden Farm —The Surveyor Reported That Mr. Jas. Wood would give the same rent, viz., £450, as he gave last year, for the Heyden Farm. And It was Resolved, That the same be let to him to the 1st Dec. next, on the same terms and conditions as last year.

Heyden Knoll Farm—It was Resolved, That this farm be offered to be Let by Auction to the 1st Dec. next in one Lot and if not so let, then in the same lots or such other Lots as may be determined on at the Sale, and on the same terms and conditions as last year.

Barn Farm—It was Resolved, That the Farm be offered to be Let to the 1st Dec. next in one Lot, and if not so let, then in the same Lots as last year, or such other Lots as may be determined on at the time of sale, and on the same terms and conditions as last year.

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 2nd day of May, 1888—Present Alderman Parsonage; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Neale, Parsonage, Price and Taylor (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

2-DAIRIES AND COWSHED ORDER--An application from Mr. W. Oliver, to be registered as a Cowkeeper for premises at the back of Lakeview, was adjourned for further consideration. An application from Mrs. E. Tarrant, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk at Hinckley Cottage, New Street, was read. And It was Resolved that she be registered.

3-HOUSES WITHOUT PROPER WATER SUPPLY—A Report from the Surveyor, reporting that the houses therein mentioned were without a proper supply of water, and that such supply can be obtained from the Corporation mains at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts, was read. And It was Resolved, That Notice be given under Section 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owners of the houses in question, requiring them to obtain such supply, and do all such works as may be necessary for that purpose. The Medical Officer of Health submitted a List of Owners of houses on whom Notices under sec. 62 of the Public Health Act had been served, who had not complied with the Notices. And It was Resolved, That with respect to these cases and those reported last month, the parties be informed that unless the Notices are complied with forthwith steps will be taken under sec. 70 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to close the wells.

4—DELANCEY HOSPITAL FEES—A Letter from Dr. Wilson, the Hon. Sec. of the Delancey Fever Hospital, of date the 25th April last, in reply to the Resolution of this Committee passed at its last meeting, stating that the Trustees fail to see that the correspondence justifies the conclusion which the Town Council would seem to have arrived at, was read, together with draft of a proposed reply thereto by the Town Clerk. And It was Resolved, That the reply of the Town Clerk be approved and made.

An Account of £1 10/- for treatment of a patient at the hospital was examined and allowed.

5— GENERAL HOSPITAL—A Letter from Genl. Muspratt Williams, acting Hon. Sec. of the hospital, with a list of the patients in the Borough suffering from typhoid fever, who had been treated at this hospital, shewing the number of patients so treated up to the 4th April last, and the number of days on which they had been so treated, and stating that the cost to the hospital had been £476 7/6 was read. And It was Resolved, That the hospital authorities be asked to accept payment of the sum of £263 10/- towards payment of the cost incurred by them, being at the rate of 2s. per diem for the number of patients residing in the borough, who had been under treatment at the hospital. And that the best thanks of the Council be given to the Hospital for the action taken by them in the emergency that had arisen.

6—ACCOUNTS—The following accounts were examined and allowed:

Sanitas Co ... £3 2 10

J. H. Bennett ... £1 2 3

E. Breffit & Co ... £ 0 15 3

Co-operative Drug Store ... £0 6 0

G.W.R Company, carriage of samples of water and returns ... £0 5 5

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

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#### **WATER COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 2nd day of May, 1888—Present : Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Heath, Pippett, Price and Taylor (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1—MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT—The Manager's usual Monthly Report on the state of the Works, and other matters, was read and approved.

2—APPEALS—Various Appeals were considered and the rates settled and adjusted. Applications and Agreements for supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

GEO. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 1888—Present: The Mayor; Alderman Simms-Bull Councillors Cox, Darby, Heath, Taylor and Waghorne (Alderman Simms-Bull in the chair)—

1 —SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE BRIGADE'S REPORT—The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had been called out to a fire at Nos. 17 and 18 Promenade, in the occupation of Mr. F. T. Evens, general fancy dealer, on the 22nd inst., and that the bill of expenses amounting to £4 18/6 had been sent into the insurance offices in which the property and stock was insured.

Also, That the New Hydrants ordered for the North side of the town had been fixed and required to be marked, and that the plates on the firemen's doors want re-painting and re-lettering. And It was Resolved, That the Superintendent do have the new hydrants marked and that the Firemen's plates be re-painted and lettered and renewed where necessary.

2-HACKNEY CARRIAGE LICENSES—It was Resolved that the Annual Inspection of the licensed carriages take place on Tuesday, the 5th day of June, and the licensing day on Monday, the 18th June.

Applications for permission to use other carriages during repairs of the licensed carriages from the following were read, viz.: Robt. Fowles, Jesse Wilks, Jno. Tilley, Albert Smith, Thos. Williams, Chas.

Davies and S. Hill. And It was Resolved That permission be given until the day fixed for the Annual Inspection.

Applications from G. Paul for his pony carriage license No. 104 to be transferred to another similar carriage ; from Jos. Jones, licensee of No. 2 brougham, and John Smith, licensee of No. 53 landau, for their licenses to be transferred to open carriages were read. And It was Resolved, That G. Paul's application be granted, but that Messrs. Jones' and Smith's applications be adjourned until the general licensing day.

Applications from G. Paul and Thos. Phipps for the renewal of their Licenses Nos. 75 and so respectively, which were refused them at the last licensing meeting, were adjourned until the general licensing day.

3—PETROLEUM LICENSES—Applications from Mr. Jno. Fisher of No. 34 Winchcomb Street, for renewal of his license to keep 100 gals. of Petroleum; and from Mr. Albert Lusty for renewal of his license to keep 80 gals. at 7 8 and 9 Larput Place, and the Surveyor's Report thereon were considered. And It was Resolved, That the same be renewed, Mr. Fisher's for one year from the 1st March last, and Mr. Lusty's for one year from the 10th Dec. last.

4—W. COOKE—A Letter from Mr. W. Cooke, a wheelchairman, complaining of a summons which had been taken out against him by the Inspector for breach of the bye-laws, was read.

5—BYE-LAWS under Sec. 23 of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1883—A Letter from the Secretary of State for the Home Department, of date the 17th inst., that he would not depart from his decision disallowing Bye-law No. 4, that Bye-law No. 5 would be allowed if limited to riotous or indecent conduct, and that he had no objection to Bye-law No. 15a was read. And It was Resolved, That the Bye-laws as now altered be made at the meeting of the Council on the 7th inst.

W. SIMMS BULL,

Chairman.

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#### **BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 20th day of April, 1888—Present: Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull, Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Lawrence, and Norman (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1-- MARLE HILL RECREATION GROUND—The Surveyor laid before the Committee two proposals he had made to Mr. La Terriere for straightening the boundary between this property and the Marle Hill Estate, and the Plans therein referred to. He also laid before the Committee a counter proposal made by Mr. La Terriere, that is to say :

Mr. La Terriere to take the land coloured Blue on the Plan No. 1.

The Corporation to take the land coloured Pink. The Corporation to erect and maintain a substantial close boarded fence with oak posts 6ft. 6in. high along the entire length of Mr. La Terriere's property adjoining the Recreation Ground, with gates of a similar character at the west end.

The Corporation to grant to Mr. La Terriere a right of way [.]ft. wide over the north-west end of the Recreation Ground from Hanover Street North to Marle Hill estate.

The Corporation to fill up so much of the lake as is necessary to form a road from A to B on plan and make and form such road accordingly, with fence and gate complete.

The Corporation to pay Mr. La Terriere the sum of £50

And It was Resolved, That the Corporation agree to the foregoing terms except that the fence shall be similar to that which the Corporation have agreed to erect between the Recreation Ground and Mr. Winterbotham's land, and the Corporation will grant the right of road over their land at the north-west end thereof.

It was Resolved That the 50 feet lot of Land in Marle Hill Road be offered for Sale by Private Treaty and that a notice be accordingly put up on the land in question.

It was Resolved, That the Town Clerk write to Admiral Christian, requesting him to make arrangements, if he can conveniently do so, for a Constable to overlook the Recreation Ground for the prevention of damage thereto, until a permanent Care-taker is appointed.

2 —SWIMMING BATH BYE-LAWS—A Letter from the Local Government Board of date the 31st ult., returning the draft of these Bye-laws with some alterations made therein and notes thereon, and the Draft Bye-laws were read and considered. And It was Resolved, That the Bye-laws be made as now settled, and that notice of intention to apply for confirmation of the same by the Local Government Board be given, and that they be submitted for confirmation accordingly.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 27th day of April, 1888. Present : Aldermen Parsonage and Simms Bull ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Lawrence, Norman, and Waghorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

3—UPPER ALSTONE SWIMMING BATH—The Manager's Monthly Report on the working of this Bath, which was opened on Easter Tuesday, was read. The Manager reported that arrangements could be made for the provision of a separate washing compartment for bathers in either one of the angles at the entrance end of the bath at a cost of £5 to £6. And It was Resolved, That the necessary alterations and provision be made for such compartment.

A Letter from Mr. J. Sier, making certain suggestions as to the arrangements at the Bath, was read. And It was Resolved, That on Monday mornings the Bath be opened at 7 a.m. instead of 6 a.m., and that it be opened for men but not for females on Bank Holidays.

4—RECREATION GROUND—A Letter from Mr. Bannister, Hon. Sec. of the Working Men's College Cricket Club, requesting to know if a cricket pitch might be allotted to the club for practice, and matches occasionally played thereon, and if a match might be played on Whit-Monday, was read. And It was Resolved That Mr. Bannister be informed that until the ground is properly fenced in<sup>4</sup>and a care-taker appointed, and the Bye-laws now before the Local Government Board are approved, no arrangements can be made for the appropriation or user of any part of the ground.

5—BYE-LAWS—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a Letter from the Local Government Board, of date the 26th inst., returning the draft of these Bye-laws with certain alterations therein, and the same having been considered, It was Resolved that the draft Bye-laws be returned to the Local Government Board, with a statement of objection to some of the alterations made by the Board.

6—ACCOUNTS—The following were examined and allowed:

Edward Hart, salary ... £5 0 0

Gas Company—Gas, March quarter ... £0 3 8

Thos. Voile & Co.—Coal ... £1 15 3

W. McLandsborough Disbursements ... £3 15 7

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 1st day of May, 1888—Present Alderman Simms Bull; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Lawrence, Norman, Taylor, and Waghorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

CLEEVE HILL COMMON—It having come to the knowledge of the Committee that an attempt has been made to regulate this Common by a private arrangement instead of a Provisional Order under the Commons Act, 1876, which has practically failed, It was Resolved, That the Town Clerk do write to the Land Commissioners informing them that the Corporation are prepared to take up the matter at the point where it was broken off last year and assent to the terms ultimately pro-posed by the Commissioners in the scheme as modified by their letter of date 26th March, 1887. Should the matter proceed the Committee consider that the Conservators should be empowered to grant the use of the Common for the purposes of the National Rifle Association, military camps, or similar purposes.

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 1st day of May 1888—Present The Mayor ; Councillors Clark, Cox, Price, and Heath, (Councillor Cox in the chair)—

A Report of the Superintendent calling attention to several matters required, was read. And It was Resolved

(1) That before the Rules are re-printed the same be gone through and revised by the Committee.

(2) That the top covering stones be not less than 3 inches thick throughout and to be of sound material.

(3) That some blue gravel be kept on hand in the Cemetery for the purpose of filling up hollow places and repairing generally.

(4) That a new Register of Graves be ordered. (5) That the Surveyor procure a sufficient number of sectional oak pegs.

GRASS AT THE CEMETERY--The Surveyor reported that he had had an offer of £21 for the grass from Mr. Mark Williams. And It was Resolved That the offer be accepted.

DESIGNS—The following Designs were examined and approved Headstones to Edward Anderson, Harriet Wright, Mary Ann Bamber, Annie Dawes, Aimee Rose, Le Large, Augusta Ollivant, Harriet Sophia Poston, and Elizabeth Malins. Tombs to Anne Herbert, W. N. Skillicorne, Amelia Stockton, and Sarah Mills.

ACCOUNTS—The following were examined and allowed, viz.,

W. Gregory, Labourers' Wages ... £7 4 0

Nadin & Co., Coal ... £1 12 0

Gas Company—Coke ... £2 12 9

GEO. JAS. COX, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 27th day of April, 1888—Present: The Mayor, Aldermen Ramsay and Welch ; Councillors Parsonage and Lawrence (Alderman Capt. Welch in the chair)—

LIBRARIAN'S MONTHLY REPORT—This Report was read. He also reported that the following Gifts had been made to the Library, viz. :

Women's Printing Society, London 1 vol.

The Hon. Mrs. Vansittart 1 vol.

Mrs. R. F. Lyne 1 vol.

Rev. Jno. Mugliston pamphlets

Emigrant's Information Office 2 pamphlets

Miss L. March Phillips 1 vol.

Rev. J. A. Owen 1 vol.

Mr. W. R. Porcher 59 vols.

Mrs. G. S. Penny 11 vols.

Messrs. Swan, Sonnenchein & Co., London 1 vol.

Annual Reports from Public Libraries at Glasgow, Hereford, Wigan, and Maimonides, U.S.A.

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ACCOUNTS —The following were examined and allowed, viz.,

Wages Account for May ...	£12 2 6
James Webb, Books ...	£4 6 0
J. W. Pink ditto ...	£2 18 0
W. C. King, ditto ...	£0 11 6
A. H. Nott, Coal ...	£2 8 0
Gas Co.—Gas, March Quarter ...	£4 15 3
W. T. Cossens, Ink ...	£0 14 0
Borough Rate and Water Rate on Public Library ...	£3 9 0

GEORGE A. WELCH, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 11th day of April, 1888 – Present Aldermen Parsonage, Ramsay, and Simms Bull ; Councillors Cox, Darby, Lawrence, Norman, Pippett and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)--

Councillor Waghorne was appointed Chairman of this Committee.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILLS —The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a circular letter from the Secretary to The Municipal Corporations Association, inviting observations thereon, and Draft of a Letter to him in reply, stating objections to and suggested amendments in several of the clauses of the Bill. And the same, having been fully discussed, It was Resolved, That the Town Clerk's letter be approved and sent.

TOWN COMMITTEE, The Letter of Mr. G. H. Williams, Secretary to this Committee, read at the last meeting of the Council, and he accompanying documents, referred to this Committee were read and considered, and the further consideration thereof adjourned to a meeting, to be held on Monday afternoon next at 3.30 p.m.

JNO. WAGHORNE, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 16th day of April, 1888—Present Aldermen Parsonage, Ramsay, and Simms Bull; Councillors Cox, Darby, Lawrence, Norman, Pippett, and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

TOWN IMPROVEMENTS—The Resolutions of the Town Improvement Committee were further considered and the further consideration thereof adjourned.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 30th day of April, 1888—Present Aldermen Parsonage, Ramsay, and Sims Bull ; Councillors Cox, Clark, Norman, Lawrence and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

TOWN IMPROVEMENTS—The resolutions and recommendations of the Town Committee were further considered. And It was Resolved, That the Town Improvement Committee be informed that this Committee have given very careful and anxious consideration to their several proposals and

suggestions, many of which are well worthy of adoption. That with respect to the consolidation of the municipal debt, this is a subject which the Finance Committee of the Corporation have for some time had under consideration, and the Borough Accountant has recently presented a report thereon to that Committee. That for this and other purposes it will be necessary for the Corporation to apply in the next Session of Parliament for a private Act, and an opportunity will be then and thereby afforded for obtaining Powers for carrying out such of the suggestions and proposals of the Town Committee as may on further deliberation seem desirable and as may commend themselves to the ratepayers and as Parliament may approve. These matters will be taken into consideration when the Bill is being drafted, and the Committee will gladly avail themselves of the information and facts acquired by the Town Committee and of their assistance in the matter ; but at the present moment the Committee are not prepared to express any definite opinion on the proposals of the Town Committee, except perhaps on the proposal to grant a salary to the Mayor, designed to enable him to assist in carrying out some of the measures recommended, and as to which the committee consider that it would be unwise to attempt to do indirectly even temporarily, that which the Corporation may not ultimately be empowered to do.

It was further Resolved, That the Town Clerk do bring up a synopsis or report of clauses that it would be desirable to insert in a Bill to be brought into Parliament for Consolidating the Debt of the Corporation, and other purposes, and by way of Amendment or otherwise of the Cheltenham Improvement Act and other Acts in force in the Borough.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 3rd of May, 1888 Present: Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Darby and Parsonage (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1-ADVERTISEMENTS —The resolution of this Committee hereon, of date the 8th of Feb. last, which was referred back to the Committee by the Council, was again considered. And It was Resolved, That the usual official advertisements be inserted in the Cheltenham Examiner and Chronicle, and that with regard to other advertisements they be inserted in such papers as the Committee having charge of the matter in respect of which the advertisement is inserted may from time to time order the same to be inserted.

2-CONSOLIDATION OF THE CORPORATION LOANS—The report of the Borough Accountant on this subject was read and considered And It was Resolved, That it is desirable that the Corporation should obtain Parliamentary powers to Consolidate their Loans, including the redemption price of the Water Annuities, and issue Stock, and that the Town Clerk do accordingly draft a Bill for such purposes and submit the same to this Committee.

3 COLLECTION OF URBAN RATES.—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 1st inst., was read, shewing that the amounts collected to this date on the Borough (Genl. District) Rate was

£1844, leaving outstanding £9799 7s. 5½ d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No. 1, £1,729, leaving outstanding £257 15s. 3½ d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No 2, £45, leaving outstanding £6 17s. 7d.

4-WATER RATE.—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 1st inst., on the collection of this Rate was read, sheaving receipts in Cheltenham to this date of £1241 1s. 1d., leaving outstanding £5374 1s. 5d. In Tewkesbury £100, leaving outstanding £318 18s. 4d.

5- ACCOUNTS. The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts during the past month, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums :

RECEIPTS.

Borough Fund ...	£2258 8 4
Library (Capital) per Joint Appeal Committee ...	£600 0 0
Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£2322 10 1
Burial Board (Revenue) ...	£81 12 4
Water (Revenue) ...	£1370 5 0
“ (Capital) Loan ...	£2000 0 0
Baths (Revenue) ...	£8 3 0
Recreation Grounds (Capital) ...	£3000 0 0

ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID

Borough Fund (including ... £2461 19s. 11d. deficiency on Water Account transmitted) ...	£2485 2 8
Library (Revenue) ...	£31 4 3
Ditto (Capital) ...	£6 0 0
Ditto (Joint Appeal) ...	£118 14 0
Baths (Revenue) ...	£10 14 6
Recreation Grounds (Capital) ...	£16 15 9
Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£1770 12 11
Burial Board (Revenue) ...	£11 8 9
Branch Sewers ...	£21 2 5
Street Improvements ...	£122 2 5
Water (Revenue)...	£1933 19 0
Ditto (Capital) ...	£58 8 10

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

**Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, May 18th, 1888.

Sir, You are hereby summoned to attend a Monthly [crossed out] Meeting of the Council, as such, and acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of May instant, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, 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 approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the Special High-ways and Scavenging Committee.
2. Councillor Lawrence to move " That the amended Resolution gassed at the Meeting of the Council held on the 7th of May instant with reference to the gravelling of Hatherley Road be rescinded, and that the original Resolution of the Street and Highway Committee relating to the same subject be approved.
3. Local Government Bill.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

### **Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, May 30th, 1888.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Monthly Meeting of the Council, as such, and acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 4th day of June next, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, 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. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the following Committees :

THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. THE WATER COMMITTEE. THE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE, THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE, THE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. THE TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. THE ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

4. Alderman Parsonage to move—That Standing Order No. 13 be restored to its original form and that so much of the resolution passed at the Monthly Meeting held on the 7th May last as relates thereto, be revoked.
5. Councillor Darby to move—That the amended resolution passed at the meeting of the Council, held on the 7th May last with reference to the Gravelling of Hatherley Road be rescinded, and that the footpath be asphalted by the Corporation.
6. Notices of Motion.
7. To read the following Letters and pass Resolutions thereon if need be : Mrs. Brook-Smith acknowledging Vote of Condolence by Council. J. T. Agg-Gardner, Esq., re Recreation Ground. J. W. Gabb re Hales Road. Arthur H. Smith re Globe Insurance Co's. Land, Queen's Road.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

### **Borough of Cheltenham**

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 4th of June, 1888.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 29th day of May, 1888-Present Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Cox, Ferguson, Heath, Lawrence and Waghorne (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)-

1-GAS-The Gas Examiner's Monthly Report was read. Illuminating power 16.79 candles. Purity 9.79 grains per 100 cubic feet. The Gas Inspector's Monthly Report was read. Average hourly consumption in each lamp 4.215 cubic feet.

The book kept at the Police Station was examined: 24 Lamps were found extinguished during the past month, and 117 burning dimly.

A Letter from the Clerks to the Gas Company in reply to the Letter of the Town Clerk, stating that the occurrences complained of last month can only be attributable to accidental causes, was read. And It was Resolved, That as a practical commentary on the Clerks' reply their attention be called to the results reported this month.

2- FOOTPATH IN COLLEGE ROAD-Ditto WEST SIDE OF PORTLAND STREET-Specifications from the Surveyor, of date the 29th day of May inst., of the Works required to be done to the above streets were read and approved. And It was Resolved, That Notices be given under Section 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said streets requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, flagged, and channelled, requiring them to do the specified Works within 28 days ; and that, if such Notices are not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

3-BARNARD'S ROW-A Specification from the Surveyor, of date the 29th day of May inst. of the Works required to be done to the above street, was read and approved, And It was Resolved that the necessary Plans, Sections, and Estimates be prepared and Notices be given under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1873, to the Owners of the Premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said street; requiring to be severed, levelled, paved, metalled, flagged, channelled, or made good ; requiring them to do the specified Works within 28 days ; and that, if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

4- SURFACE WATER ON GLOUCESTER ROAD-The Letter from Mr. Witchell, read at the last meeting of the Committee, was further considered, as also a Letter from Mr. C. Stevens on the same subject, and the Surveyor having reported the result of his examination of the locality, It was Resolved, That the Committee are advised the nuisance complained of does not arise from the surface water from the highway.

5-SPECIAL WORKS IN EXMOUTH STREET-Sims and Dix-These matters were again adjourned for further consideration.

6- FOOTPATH IN SANDFORD ROAD-The Memorial from Genl. McCallum and others, asking the Council to repair the footpath in Sandford Road, was further considered, and the Surveyor was directed to see Gen. McCallum and ascertain which foot-path it is the Memorial refers to.

7-CARLTON PLACE FOOTPATH-SWINDON ROAD-The state of this footpath as complained of in the letter from Mr. Walter Long, read at the last meeting, was further discussed and the question of the repair thereof was adjourned until the alterations at the Workhouse are completed.

8 - ROMAN ROAD, ST. MARK'S -Mr. S. Randle's Letter on the subject of the repair of this road was further considered. And It was Resolved, That the repair of the carriage way is a work of ordinary repair, which will be attended to, and that the Surveyor do bring up a specification for the repair of the footpath by the abutting owners.

9- EXTRAORDINARY TRAFFIC AT THE GAS WORKS-A Letter from Messrs. Holme and King, stating that they were quite prepared to contest the question of their liability for extraordinary traffic in connection with these works, and denying any damage to the roads through any work of theirs, was read ; also a Letter from the Clerks to the Gas Company, repudiating any liability on the part of the Company. And It was Resolved, That Messrs. Holme and King be given an opportunity, with-out prejudice to the right of the Corporation to recover a larger sum, of settling the matter on payment of the amount demanded, and, that if such offer is not at once accepted, an action be commenced against them.

10- DANGEROUS WALL AT FIELD LODGE-Letters from Messrs. Young and Gilling, stating that the present condition of this wall having been caused by the great weight of Ashes placed against the outside of it by the Town Council, they consider the Corporation should bear a moiety of the contemplated outlay thereon, (£16) or of the expense of substituting a tall unclimbable fence in its stead, were read. And It was Resolved That the Committee are not prepared to entertain the proposal, and that Notice be given to the Owners to remedy the dangerous state of the wall.

11 --FOOTPATH IN HALES ROAD-A Letter from Mr. G. F. Townsend, asking if the Corporation have any intention of repairing this footpath, was read, And It was Resolved, That Mr. Townsend be informed that Notices for the repair of the footpath have already been served on the abutting owners.

12--BACK ROAD TO BAYSHILL LAWN -A Letter from Miss G. A. Lacy, calling attention to the bad state of this road in wet weather, was read. And It was Resolved, That Miss Lacy be informed the matter of the repair will be attended to.

13-ROADWAY IN ST. GEORGE'S SQUARE-A Letter from Mr. E. T. Bryant, calling attention to the necessity of repairing this road-way was read. And It was Resolved That the consideration of the matter be adjourned in order that a meeting of the owners of the square may be called to arrange for the necessary repairs.

14-CHANNELLING IN FRONT OF 405, HIGH STREET-A Letter from Mr. T. R. Jackson, stating that owing to there being no fall in the water channelling opposite his premises, No. 405, High Street, the

surface water stands there, was read. And It was Resolved that the channelling at that point be raised, and that an extra gully be put in.

15-- QUEEN STREET-A Letter from Mr. Henry Sparkes, stating that this street has not been stoned for upwards of 17 years, and is now in a very bad state was read. And It was Resolved, That Mr. Sparkes be informed that the necessary repairs will shortly be done.

16-ROAD AT BACK OF MONTPELLIER VILLAS -A Memorial from Mr. Wm. Yeandle and others, calling attention to the bad state of this road, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Memorialists be informed it is a case of ordinary repair, which will shortly be attended to.

17- BRIDGE AT LANSDOWN RAILWAY STATION - A Letter from Mr. J. S. Gratton on behalf of the Midland Railway Co., stating that the Company contemplate rebuilding this bridge, and that they thought a considerable improvement might be made in the roadways converging at the bridge as shewn by the tracing accompanying his letter, and requesting the approval of the Corporation thereto was read. And It was Resolved, That the proposal and plan be agreed to subject to the line of the parapet and retaining wall on the north-west side of the bridge being set back in a line with the back of the footpath as marked with a green line on the plan, and to the Company reinstating the road and footpaths.

18-PROPOSED ERECTION OF STABLES, &c., IN PORTLAND STREET-A Memorial from Mrs. S. K. Turner, and others, objecting to the erection of stables and other buildings for a fly-yard at Burton Cottage, Portland Street, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Memorialists be informed the plan for the proposed buildings has been withdrawn by the owners.

19- CHRIST CHURCH ROAD (Christ Church to Queen's Road)-A Memorial from Mr. H. A. Purnell and others, asking the Council to consider the desirability of making this a public road, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Memorialists be informed that Notices have been given to the Owners to do the necessary works, with the object of its being taken to as a highway. It was also Resolved That tenders for the execution of the works be advertised for in the Examiner and Mercury.

20-CROSSING at MESSRS. BILLING'S YARD in Portland Square-It was Resolved, That the Surveyor do make good this crossing and footpath.

21-STREET NAME PLATES-It was Resolved That the Street Name Plates ordered to be put up in various streets be made of cast iron, with sunk letters.

22-COLONNADE IMPROVEMENT-A Letter from Messrs. Griffiths, on behalf of Messrs. Dobell, intimating the decision of their clients to bring forward the front of their premises, in the event of the other arrangements with regard to their property being settled to their satisfaction, was read. A Letter from Mr. Mellersh, on behalf of Mr. George, giving his client's reasons for adhering to the clause added to the agreement, relating to the loading of his vans in County Court Street, was read. And It was Resolved that the Committee cannot accept any clause that leaves it open as a matter of doubt or question whether Mr. George's vans can or cannot pass down the roadway or that will throw on the Corporation the onus of proving that they can.

A Letter from Messrs. Harwards, Shepherd and Mills, stating that they could not advise their clients to accept the offer of the Corporation, and reiterating their charge that access to the plan was

denied to their Surveyor, was read. And It was Resolved, That assuming that the amount claimed by them was paid by their clients at the time named, interest be paid upon it.

23 -NEW BUILDINGS-The Surveyor submitted Notices and Plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz. :-Taylor and Huband, for villa in Hatherley Road ; Albert Lusty, for stable in Victoria Street, St. Paul's ; M. P. Hayward, for additions to 18 Royal Crescent: Mr. James, for villa in Libertus Road ; Miss Baillie for villa in St. Stephen's Road ; S. Adams for villa in Christ Church Road, Josiah Jones, for Shop and Residence in Portland Street ; Alfred Matthews for 8 houses in Millbrook-street; John Haddon for additions to 40, Montpellier Terrace.

GEO. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 12th day of May, 1888. Present Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson Norman, Parsonage, and Price (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1—GENERAL HOSPITAL—The Resolution of this Committee on the subject of the amount to be paid to the Hospital for the treatment of the patients suffering from Typhoid Fever, referred back to this Committee, was re-considered. And It was Resolved, That a Conference on the subject with the sub-Committee who previously met this Committee be asked for.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 15th day of May, 1888—Present Alderman Parsonage; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Norman, Parsonage, and Taylor (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

2—GENERAL HOSPITAL—The following gentlemen, representatives of the Hospital Board, attended the meeting of the Committee, viz., Genl. Muspratt-Williams, Col. Pierson, Lieut.-Col. Croker King, Dr. Day and Dr. Cooke. The question of the payment to be made to the Hospital in respect of the reception and treatment by the Hospital of persons suffering from typhoid fever was considered and discussed, as was also the question of the Water Rate charged to the Hospital. And It was Resolved, That the amount to be paid to the Hospital, in respect of the typhoid fever patients, be £265. That an annual subscription be paid by the Urban Sanitary Authority to the Hospital equal in amount to the Water Rate for the time being paid by the Hospital, and the Committee trust that this will be deemed satisfactory by the Hospital Board.

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 30th day of May, 1888—Present Alderman Parsonage; Councillors Ferguson, Norman, Parsonage, Taylor, and Price (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

Councillor Parsonage was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

3—WATER SUPPLY TO HOUSES—The Inspector of Nuisances laid before the Committee a List of Cases in which the Notices given under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act had not been complied with. And It was Resolved, That Notice be given to the parties that unless the Notices are forthwith complied with proceedings will be taken under Sec. 70 of the said Act to close the wells. A Report from the Surveyor under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, dated the 29th May inst., Reporting that the Houses there-in mentioned are without a proper supply of water ; and that such supply can be furnished thereto at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts 1878 and 1881, being the Local Acts in force within the Borough, was read. And It was Resolved, That Notice be given to the Owners of the Houses in question, under the said Section, requiring them, within a time to be specified in the Notice, to obtain such supply and do all works necessary for that purpose.

URINAL AT BEEHIVE INN —A Memorial from E. C. Craddock and others, complaining of the nuisance arising from the Urinal at this inn, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Town Clerk do write to the Owner of the Premises, requesting him to remove the urinal to a more suitable position, and keep it thoroughly supplied with water.

ENTERIC FEVER—A Letter from the Local Government Board, of date the 21st inst., requesting that a Report may be made to the Board by the Medical Officer of Health of the cases of Enteric Fever that have occurred since the 1st Jan. last to the present time, with full information thereon and the measures taken to check the spread of the disease, was read ; and the Town Clerk Reported that he had handed the same to the Medical Officer of Health, and had informed the Board that he had done so, and that the matter should receive immediate attention.

6—ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and allowed, viz.,

J. H. Bennett ... £0 18 4  
Leckhampton Poor Rate ... £0 8 9  
Ditto General District Rate ... £0 10 6

E. H. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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#### **WATER COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 30th day of May, 1888. Present : Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Ferguson, Pippett, and Taylor (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1—The Managers Monthly Report on the Works and other matters was read and approved.

2--DOWDESWELL WORKS—It was Resolved that the sum of £2 12s. 6d. be paid as a Voluntary School Rate in the parish of Dowdeswell.

3 —No. 1, BATH STREET—A Letter from H.M. Office of Works, calling attention to the necessity for repainting the exterior of this property was read, and as it appeared that the same had not been

painted since 1881, It was Resolved That it be painted, and that the Manager do obtain Tenders for the same.

4—WATER TOWER AT TEWKESBURY—GROVE—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the Draft of the conveyance to the Corporation from Mr. Grove, which was approved, subject to the time for completion of the Works being fixed for the 1st Oct., 1889.

5—CHARLTON KINGS LOCAL BOARD -- The Town Clerk laid before the Committee Draft of the Agreement with the Charlton Kings Local Board for Hydrants and Water for Street Watering. And It was Resolved, That the same as now settled be approved.

5—APPEALS—Various appeals were considered and the rates settled and adjusted. Applications and Agreements for supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 29th day of May, 1888. Present: The Mayor ; Councillors Cox, Darby, Heath, and Taylor (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1—MRS. BRIDLE —A Letter from Mrs. Bridge of No. 8, Lansdown Place, complaining of the nuisance from the fly stand opposite her house was read. And It was Resolved, That the Committee cannot admit that a stand at such a distance as this is from the houses in Lansdown Place can possibly be a nuisance to the occupiers thereof, but that as it appears the stand is not pitched and drained, that shall be done.

2—POLICE—INSURANCE OF STATIONS—A Letter from the Clerk of the Peace with an Account of the Apportionments of the Fire Insurance Premiums on the Police Stations between the Police and the County, and requesting the approval of the Town Council thereto, was read and the Account considered. And It was Resolved, That the same be approved, except as to the apportionment in respect of the Cheltenham Station, the premium on which the Committee think should be charged two-thirds to the Police and one-third to the County.

3—POLICE ACCOUNT—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the Police Account for the quarter ending 25th March last, as settled by him and the Clerk of the Peace, in accordance with the agreement, shewing a balance of £115 14s. 7d. due to the County. And it was Resolved, That the Account be approved, and the balance paid.

4—ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and ordered to be paid, viz.,

Cheltenham Poor Rate on Cattle Market ... £9 0 0

W. Windridge, Printing ... £0 8 0

J. J. Banks, Post Cards ... £0 12 6

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

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#### **BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday the 14th day of May, 1888—Present Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull, Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Lawrence, Norman and Waghorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1—RECREATION GROUND —It was Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to advertise the old fencing for sale and sell the same for such sum as he thinks reasonable. The Surveyor was instructed to ascertain if there would be any objection to the entrance gates from the Marle Hill Parade road being placed either in a line with the frontage of the houses in Marle Hill Road and Marle Hill Parade, or below the two side entrances to the adjoining houses.

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 24th day of May, 1888. Present Alderman Simms Bull ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Lawrence, Norman, Taylor, and Waghorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

2-CLEEVE HILL COMMON —A Letter from the Secretary of the Land Commissioners, of date the 18th inst., in reply to the Letter from the Town Clerk, written in pursuance of the Resolution of this Committee, passed at their Meeting on the 1st inst., stating that after the time that had elapsed it would be necessary to hold a further enquiry and deposit a new Order to which the consents of the persons interested would have to be given, and that if the Lords of the two Manors and the Commoners are now desirous that the Regulation of the Common should be proceeded with, some arrangement should be made as to the expenses of the further enquiry, to meet which a sum of £40 would have to be deposited with the Commissioners, was read and considered ; as also the subject of the user of the Common for the purposes of the National Rifle Association.

And It was Resolved, That with the view of submitting to the Association the advantages of the Commons for the purposes in question, the Association be asked to receive a Deputation from the Town and neighbourhood at their meeting on Monday next, such deputation to consist of Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Bart., M.P., J. T. Agg-Gardner, Esq., M.P., the Chairman of the Committee, and the Town Clerk, Col. Ford, F. Stroud, Esq., and any other influential gentlemen in the town or neighbourhood who would like to attend ; and the Town Clerk was directed to write to the Secretary of the Association and to the gentlemen named requesting their attendance.

3—RECREATION GROUND —The Town Clerk reported that he had conferred with Admiral Christian on the subject of the appointment of a constable as Care Taker of the Recreation Ground and that he would be prepared to appoint an additional constable under 3 and 4 Vic., c. 88 sec. 19 for the purposes in question. And the Town Clerk was directed to confer further with him on the subject.

A Letter from Messrs. Ticehurst and Sons, with an account of the fees for enrolment of the conveyance from Mr. Holliday, and stating they were instructed by Mr. Agg-Gardner to accept no consideration money for the enfranchisement, and would be glad to supplement that by making no charge for the necessary deed, was read. And It was Resolved, That Messrs. Ticehurst be requested to convey to Mr. Agg-Gardner an expression of the grateful feelings of the Council for his further

generosity in the matter, and to accept the thanks of the Council for their own kind contribution to the same object.

4— SWIMMING BATH—The Monthly Report of the Manager of the Waterworks Department on the working of the Bath during the past month was read.

The Engineer certified that the works comprised in Mr. Collin's contract had been satisfactorily maintained for the specified period and that the contractor is entitled to be paid the sum of £93, being the amount of the balance retained. And It was Resolved, That the amount be paid.

An application for the poor rate, from which it appeared that the Bath was rated at £102, was laid before the Committee. And It was Resolved That the same be appealed against, and that notice of appeal be given accordingly.

5-- ACCOUNTS—The following accounts were examined and allowed, viz. :

I. S. Day, Posting Bills re Opening of Bath ... £0 7 6  
R. E. & C. Marshall— Repairs ... £0 1 9  
North British Rubber Co.—India Rubber Mats ... £1 19 5

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EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 1st day of June, 1888—Present : Alderman Parsonage; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Lawrence, Norman, Taylor, and Waghorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)-

6— RECREATION GROUND—The Town Clerk reported that he had again conferred with Admiral Christian on the subject of the appointment of a Retired Constable as Care Taker of this ground and that he had recommended ex-Sergeant Maggs, who was in attendance. Sergt. Maggs having been interviewed by the Committee, It was Resolved That he be appointed Care Taker of the Recreation Ground at a salary of £1 per week, with a house, rent and tax free, and a suit of uniform, and that if this Resolution is approved of by the Council, that he commence his duties on Tuesday next. And It was further Resolved that Admiral Christian be requested to appoint Sergt. Maggs as an additional constable under the Police Clauses Act.

7 —BYE-LAWS—The Town Clerk laid the Draft of the Bye-laws for Regulation of this Ground before the Committee, and Draft Letter therewith to the Local Government Board. And It was Resolved, That the Recreation Ground be opened at 2 p.m. onwards and that the Draft of the Bye-laws, as now altered, be returned to the Local Government Board, with the Town Clerk's Letter. It was also Resolved, That the ground be opened on the 20th or 21st inst., whichever day Mr. Agg-Gardner may be able to be present.

8 - PITTVILLE ESTATE—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee his Report on this Estate, accompanied with plans, and a Report from the Borough Surveyor on the mineral wells on the estate, and the same having been read, the further consideration thereof was adjourned.

9- CLEEVE HILL COMMON—A Letter from the Secretary of the National Rifle Association acknowledging the receipt of the Town Clerk's letter of the 23rd inst., and stating that the same should be laid before the Chairman of the Council without delay; and a subsequent Telegram from him that no meeting of the Sites Committee sat on Monday last, were read.

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 29th day of May 1888--Present: The Mayor , Councillors Clark, Cox, Heath, Kite, and Parsonage (Councillor Cox in the chair)—

1- SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT -The Superintendent presented a Report, calling attention to several matters of repair, &c., requiring attention. And It was Resolved, That the Surveyor do have the necessary repairs done to the Water Closet used by the Cemetery Workmen, and the present roof of the shed in which the Grave Shields, &c., are stored replaced by a roof of corrugated iron. Also that an extra labourer be employed to assist in mowing the grass during the summer months; that two Dutch Hoes be ordered to replace those recently in use, which have become worn out ; and that a sum not exceeding £2 10s. be allowed for the purchase of Bedding Plants for the beds around the Cemetery Lodge.

2 — DESIGNS —The following designs were examined and approved, viz., Headstones to Mary Bloodworth, Chas. Smith, E. J. Wood, Mary Anne Jones, Jno. Horlick, Arthur Ronald James, and Elizabeth Malins.

3- ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and ordered to be paid, viz. :

W. Gregory—Labourer's Wages ... £7 4 0  
Arthur Mulcock—Grave Markers ... £2 2 0  
Jno. Williams and Co., Coal ... £1 12 0

GEO. JAS. COX, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 25th day of May, 1888—Present: The Mayor, Aldermen Parsonage, Ramsay and Welch; Councillors Lawrence, Neale, Parsonage and Taylor (Alderman Capt. Welch in the chair)—

1-LIBRARIAN'S REPORT—The usual monthly report was read. The Librarian laid before the Committee specification for binding. And It was Resolved, That the same be approved and printed. He also reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library, viz : Committee of Cobden Club 1 vol., the Offices of the Australian Irrigation Colonies, 1 pamphlet ; Miss Stokes 2 vols; Annual Reports from the Libraries at Bootle, Portsmouth, Tickenham and Yarmouth.

2- LIBRARY BUILDINGS—Insurance—It was Resolved, That the building, with the contractors' approval be insured in the County Fire Office in the sum of £3000. The Architects requiring instructions on certain points. It was Resolved, That the soil pipes of the closets be of drawn lead

7lbs. to the foot and be placed inside. That the closets be of the pattern submitted by Mr. Knight, and that the Lightning Conductor be fixed at the highest point on the tower.

3—ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and allowed, viz.,—

James Webb, Books ... £1 9 6  
Cheltenham Poor Rate ... £1 14 4  
Librarian for Assistant's Wages ... £9 14 0

GEORGE A. WELCH, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 24th day of May, 1888—Present: Aldermen Ramsay, and Simms Bull ; Councillors Cox, Darby, Lawrence, Norman, Pippett and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

TOWN COMMITTEE—A Letter from Mr. G. H. Williams Hon. Secretary to this Committee acknowledging receipt of the Resolution of this Committee and asking if it is the intention of the Corporation to carry out the Improvements in the Promenade, and to light any portion of the Town by Electric Light, and what prospect there is of obtaining the Pittville Estate was read. And It was Resolved, That the several improvements referred to are, as he would see in reference to the published proceedings of the Council, under consideration of the several Committees having charge of the matters in question and they hope to be able shortly to report thereon.

LAND OPPOSITE MR. POWELLS IN THE PROMENADE—A Letter from Messrs. Winterbotham and Gurney stating that the School of Art were prepared to make over this piece of land to the Corporation subject to the covenants entered into with Mr. Powell, provided the terms and conditions proposed by the Corporation for its treatment are satisfactory to the Committee was read. And the Town Clerk was directed to ascertain what the Covenants in question are.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—The Letter from the Town Clerk of Shrewsbury read at the meeting of the Council on the 23rd inst., and referred to this Committee, proposing that all Municipal Boroughs returning a Member to Parliament should be placed in the same position as those in Schedule 4 was read and considered. And It was Resolved, That this Borough concur in the proposal in question and do present a petition to Parliament accordingly.

JNO. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

#### **ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 26th day of April, 1888—Present The Mayor; Alderman Sims-Bull, Councillors Kite, Lawrence, Norman and Waghorne (Councillor Norman in the chair)—

ELECTRIC LIGHTING— The Chairman laid before the Committee a summary of information obtained from various places by the Town Council of Bath as to the success and operation of the electric lighting, the systems adopted, &c. The Committee considered the desirability of inspecting the operation of the electric lighting at Leamington, but as it appeared that the system in use there was the incandescent system and not successful, the Committee considered that it would be unnecessary to go to Leamington, and that it would be preferable to see the operation of the Brush system.

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 23rd day of March, 1888—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Simms Bull Councillors Clark, Kite, Norman, and Taylor (Councillor Norman in the chair)—

ELECTRIC LIGHTING—The Committee further considered this question, and the Surveyor was instructed to report as to the position for lamps in the following streets and places : From High Street to Queen's Hotel. From Queen's Hotel to Kite's Lamp. From High Street at Gas Works to Hales Road. From High Street through Clarence Street to St. Gregory's Church

GEORGE NORMAN, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 14th day of May, 1888—Present; The Mayor, Alderman Simms Bull ; Councillors Clark, Lawrence, Norman, and Waghorne (Councillor Norman in the chair)—

ELECTRIC LIGHTING—This question was further considered. And It was Resolved, That the Committee do visit Eastbourne for the purpose of inspecting the " Brush " system of Lighting in use there and also that an inspection be made of the Anglo-American Brush Electric Light Corporations Works in London, the Town Clerk to write to the Company, making arrangements for same.

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

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#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 31st of May, 1888 Present: Alderman Parsonage; Councillors Darby, Kite and Parsonage (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1-COLLECTION OF URBAN RATES.—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 31st inst., was read, showing that the amounts collected to this date on the Borough (Genl. District) Rate was £3995, leaving outstanding £7648 7s. 5 ½ d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No. 1, £1,729, leaving outstanding £257 15s. 3d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No 2, £45, leaving outstanding £6 17s. 7d.

2-WATER RATE.—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 31st inst., on the collection of this Rate was read, sheaving receipts in Cheltenham to this date of £2753 0s. 8d., leaving outstanding £3955 9s. 1d. In Tewkesbury £256, 10s., leaving outstanding £162 14s. 7d.

3-TEWKESBURY WATER RATES—It was Resolved, That the Collector of these Rates be informed that all Rates received by him must be remitted to the Borough Accountant at least once a month, so as to be in his hands on the Tuesday preceeding the meeting of the Finance Committee, and that the receipt book be sent to the Borough Accountant at the same time.

4-AUDITOR'S ELECTION —Margrett's —A Letter from Mr. H. G. Margretts, stating that he thought he was entitled to be furnished with details of how the amount of the expenses of this election (£54 16s. 5d.) is made up was read. And It was Resolved That the Town Clerk do furnish Mr. Margrett with the items.

5--Street Improvement, Mortuary, and Sewage Farm Sinking Funds—It was Resolved That the amounts standing to the credit of these Sinking Funds be invested in the £90,000 Water Loan.

6---ACCOUNTS.—The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts during the past month, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums :

RECEIPTS.—

Library (Revenue) ... £6 13 7  
Baths (Revenue) ... £22 8 4  
Recreation Grounds (J. T. Agg Gardner, Esq.) ... £3000 0 0  
Urban Authority (Revenue) ... £2433 12 7  
Burial Board 87 14 7 Branch Sewers ... £5 3 9  
Water (Revenue) ... £1691 6 3

ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID-

Borough Fund ... £145 7 7  
Public Library (Revenue) ... £12 17 6  
Ditto (Capital) ... £16 0 0  
Public Baths (Revenue) ... £11 7 2  
Ditto (Capital) ... £93 0 0  
Recreation Grounds (Capital) ... £25 15 10  
Ditto (Revenue) ... £1 8 6  
Urban Authority (Revenue) ... £1449 12 9  
Burial Board (Revenue) ... £10 18 0  
Branch Sewers ... £28 18 3  
Water (Revenue) ... £380 12 3  
Ditto (Capital) ... £106 4 4

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

**Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, June 13th, 1888.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Special Meeting- of the Council, as such, and acting as Urban Sanitary Authority to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 18th day of June instant, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. Annual Licensing of Hackney Carriages, Wheel Chairs, &c.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

**Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, June 27th, 1888.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Monthly Meeting of the Council, as such, and acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 2nd -day of July next, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at which Meeting the following business is j5roosed 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. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the following Committees:

THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE and Appointment of Highway Inspector. THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. THE WATER COMMITTEE. THE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE, THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE, THE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. THE TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

4. To read and consider the following Letters, Memorials, &c., and pass Resolutions thereon if need be

Dr. Roch re Medical Officership of Charlton Kings (Withdrawn)

A. C. Owen re Telephone Exchange.

James Page and others re greenhouse at Windsor Lodge.

William Long re Hackney Carriage License, No. 52.

Messrs. Ticehurst and Sons re damage to road in front of Bournside.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

## **Borough of Cheltenham**

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 2nd of July, 1888.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of June, 1888—Present: Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Cox, Darby, Ferguson, Heath, Lawrence and Waghorne (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1—GAS—The Gas Examiner's Monthly Report was read. illuminating power 16.66 candles. Purity 10.22 Grains of Sulphur per 100 cubic feet. The Gas Inspector's Monthly Report was read. Average hourly consumption in each lamp 4.345 cubic feet. The book kept at the Police Station was examined. 16 Lamps were found extinguished during the past month and 144 burning dimly. And It was Resolved That the attention of the Gas Company be again called to the number of lamps extinguished or burning dimly.

2-ROMAN ROAD, St. Mark's —A Specification from the Surveyor, of date the 26th day of June instant, of the Works required to be done to the above street, was read and approved. And it was resolved that Notice be given under Section 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said Street requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, flagged, and channelled ; requiring them to do the specified Works within 28 days ; and that if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

3--FOOTPATH IN SANDFORD ROAD --The Surveyor reported that he had seen General Mc'Callum who had informed him that the footpath in question is that which adjoins the General Hospital, and a further letter from General Mc'Callum on the same subject having been read, It was Resolved That the Surveyor do bring up a Specification for an Asphalte footpath, from Sandford Terrace to the Bath Road, to be done at the expense of the abutting owners.

4 —SPECIAL WORKS IN EXMOUTH STREET—Sims and Dix—These matters were again adjourned for further consideration.

5—EXTRAORDINARY TRAFFIC AT THE GAS WORKS—A letter from Messrs. Holme and King, intimating their intention to resist any claim made by the Corporation in respect of the above, was read. And It was Resolved That the Town Clerk do take the necessary steps, against the parties liable, to recover the amount claimed by the Corporation.

6- REPAIR OF HALE'S ROAD—A letter from the Clerk to the Charlton Kings Local Board on the subject of the repair of this road, was read. And It was Resolved, That the consideration thereof be adjourned till the next meeting of the Committee.

7--TREES and LAMP in Pittville Circus Road—Letters from W. H. Mellersh, Esq., and Mr. R. M. Davis, asking for permission to cut down two trees which are in front of their respective carriage entrances, and which will prevent access to the same from the roadway, were read. And It was Resolved, That

the Committee, having viewed the site, they are of opinion that there is in each case ample space for a carriage entrance without removing any of the trees, and they, therefore, cannot allow such a beautiful avenue as now exists to be interfered with.

8—LAMP at back of Wellington Square—A letter from J. B. Winterbotham, Esq., requesting that a Lamp at the end of the road running along the back of Wellington Square, which prevented his putting in a gateway to give entrance to his field there might be moved a few feet, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Lamp be removed to a position to be settled by the Surveyor.

9 - STREET WATERING in St. Mark's District—A Memorial from C. M. Wells and others, complaining of the inefficient watering of the roads in the above neighbourhood was read. And It was Resolved, That the Surveyor's attention be called to the complaint.

10—COLONNADE IMPROVEMENT—The Chairman Reported, That from an experiment which had been tried at the Central Depot, it was found that Mr. George's railway vans could be got down the new roadway at the south end of Arched Buildings passage and that no obstacle now existed to the progress of this improvement.

11- NEW BUILDINGS—The Surveyor submitted Notices and Plans received by hint from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz :—The Town Council for Caretaker's Lodge at Recreation Ground ; W. M. Barrett for Mission Room in Granville Street : M. Beetham for a Baptist Chapel at Golden Valley; Mrs. Lloyd for additions to Kinsham Villa, St. Mark's ; H. Farthing for additions to No. 12 Suffolk Parade ; Wm. Gilkes, for villa in Oakfield Street, Tivoli ; Mr. Cantell, House at corner of Marlehill Parade.

The Surveyor also submitted Notice and Plan from Mr. J. Dicks, for additions to 177, High Street, which was not approved.

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12-HIGHWAY INSPECTORSHIP-It was Resolved, That this Committee do report to the Council that in reply to the advertisement 238 applications were sent in for this office ; that the Committee having carefully considered the same with their accompanying testimonials, had, as the result of several long sittings, reduced the number, in the first place to 9, and at a subsequent meeting to 5, viz.,

Thos. F. McGuire, Croydon, Highway Inspector  
Jas. Cadbury Bezley, Norwich, Road Inspector  
George Alloway, Finchley, Assistant Surveyor to Local Board  
Wm. Curry, Bedlingtonshire, Surveyor to Local Board  
John Howarth, Liverpool, Croydon, Road Superintendent.

That these Candidates had been interviewed by the Committee, and after mature consideration, they are of opinion that Mr. T. F. McGuire is the most suitable person for the appointment.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

## **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 27th day of June, 1888. Present : Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Neale, Norman, and Taylor (Councillor Darby in the chair)-

1-HOUSES without proper Water Supply-The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of 11 houses the water in the wells of which had been found to be polluted, and a Report from the Borough Surveyor that the houses mentioned therein were without a proper supply of water and that such supply could be furnished thereto at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Local Act in force in the Borough was read. And It was Resolved, That Notices be given to the Owners of the houses in question, under Section 62 of the Public Health Act, requiring them, within the time specified in such notice, to obtain such supply, and do all such works as may be necessary for that purpose. The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses in respect of which notices to lay on the Corporation Water had not been complied with. And it was Resolved, That with respect to these cases the parties be informed that unless the notices be forthwith complied with, steps will be taken under Section 70 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to close the wells.

2-DRAINAGE AT KENSINGTON VILLA -St. George's Road-A letter from Mr. Samuel Moran, stating that the drains at the above house are a nuisance, and injurious to health, was read, and the Medical Officer of Health having reported, after inspection, that such was the case. It was Resolved, That the Surveyor is hereby empowered to enter the premises, and inspect the drains, and do such works as may be necessary for the immediate abatement of the nuisance complained of.

3-DELANCEY HOSPITAL FEES-A letter from Dr. Wilson, in reply to the Town Clerk's letter hereon, of date the 10th ult., which was directed by the Committee to be forwarded to him, stating that under Rule xvii, which was in force in 1881, when the Subscription of the Council commenced, and has been ever since, the Trustees reserved to themselves the power to make any alteration in the rules, or to make new rules, and that the Trustees are at a loss to see why the Town Council should alone, of all their Subscribers, consider themselves as not bound by the rules of the Hospital, together with the Town Clerk's reply, that the Council had never questioned the right of the Trustees either to make, or to alter their rules, as often as they please, or to put an end to the agreement made with the Corporation, which was a special one made, quite irrespective of any rules as to terms, and again asking Dr. Wilson to favour him with a definite reply to his letter of the 10th of May, whether the Trustees do or do not mean to put an end to the agreement. And the Town Clerk's letter was approved.

4 -MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH-The Medical Officer of Health made an application for a month's leave of absence. And It was Resolved, That the same be granted after the Council Meeting on Monday next.

5-TYPHOID FEVER -A letter from Colonel Croker King, the Hon. Treasurer of the General Hospital, acknowledging on behalf of the Governors, the Resolution of this Committee, of date the 15th ult., with copy of the Resolution of the Board of Governors, thanking the Corporation for the same, was read. And It was Resolved, That a cheque for the amount, £265, be at once drawn and forwarded to the Treasurer of the Hospital.

6-QUARTERLY REPORT OF IRE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.-This report was read and approved.

7--URINALS.-This matter having been referred to this Committee by the Council for consideration. It was Resolved, That a Special Meeting of the Committee be called at an early date to inspect and discuss the condition of the Urinals throughout the town.

8-SLAUGHTER HOUSES - It was Resolved, That the whole question of the condition and management of the slaughter houses be taken into consideration at the Special Meeting to be called relative to Urinals.

9-ACCOUNTS-The following Accounts were examined and allowed :-

William Gammond, Sickness Returns ... £2 10 0

J. H. Bennett, Returns of Births and Deaths ... £1 0 1

Dr. A. Dighton, Attending Inspector of Nuisances ... £2 5 6  
during illness contracted in execution of his duties

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 27th day of June, 1888—Present: Aldermen Parsonage and nuts ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Pippett, and Taylor (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1--The Manager's Monthly Report on the Works and other matters was read and approved.

2-- WATER SUPPLY at " The Gryphons," Pittville Circus Road —A letter from W. H. Knight, Esq., stating that the Water Department had refused to lay on the Corporation water to this house on the ground that the w.c's. and fittings are not of an approved kind, and that the Owner had been asked to put 2-gallon flushing cisterns to all the w.c's., which he considered would be an utterly inadequate quantity to keep the drains clean, and stating also that the fittings in question are of such a type as he has used before in the town and not had objected to, was read. And It was Resolved, That as the Corporation are now giving a constant supply of water, the class of fittings which were heretofore approved are quite inconsistent with the circumstances of a continuous supply, and therefore the Committee see no reason to deviate from the existing regulations, which allow a maximum supply of 2 gallons for water closet cisterns.

3—APPEALS—Various appeals were considered and the rates settled and adjusted. Applications and agreements for supply of water for the past month were examined and approved.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 25th day of June 1888—Present: Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull; Councillors Cox, Darby, Heath, and Shipway (Alderman Simms-Bull in the chair)—

1—FIRE BRIGADE—A Report from the Superintendent calling attention to the case of Fireman Anthony Mustoe, who was laid up and out of work for 6 weeks, in consequence of injuries caused by an accident at the recent fire at Ewens's in the Promenade, was read. And It was Resolved, That an allowance of be made to the Fireman in question.

2-HACKNEY CARRIAGES—The application of the Executors of the late Benjamin Holtam, for the transfer to them of the two licenses lately held by B. Holtam, and the question of the renewal of License No. 2, held by Josiah Jones, as also a letter from Jno. Bullingham, on the subject of his License, No. 43, refused at the Annual Licensing Meeting, were considered, And It was Resolved, That one License be granted to the Executors of the late B. Holtam ; That Josiah Jones's License be granted ; and That John Bullingham's License be issued to him as soon as his .carriage is certified by the Inspector to be ready. The Committee inspected John Beamish's carriage, No. 45. And It was Resolved, That the License be granted to Mr. Beamish as soon as he has paid up the instalments due from him for special works. —

3-CHANGE OF CARRIAGES—Applications from Mrs. Mansell, of Royal Hotel Mews, and John Smith, of Leckhampton Inn, for permission to permanently transfer their Licences Nos. 55 and 53 respectively from closed to open carriages were read. And It was Resolved, That permission be given.

4—WHEEL-CHAIR LICENSE—James Facey—This matter, which was referred to this Committee by the Annual Licensing Meeting, was considered. And It was Resolved, That the License be not renewed.

5—STANDING ORDERS—It was Resolved, That Standing Order No. 3 be altered by omitting the words from " at " to the end of the Order, and substituting the words " a previous meeting, " and that No. n3 be restored to its original form.

6- ACCOUNTS —The following Accounts were examined and ordered to be paid, viz.:—

W. A. Baker, half-year's Salary of Fire Brigade ... £22 10 0  
Ditto Disbursements ... £3 14 9  
Ditto Painting and Writing on 187 Hydrant Indicators ... £12 3 0

W. SIMMS BULL, Chairman.

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## **BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday the 11th day of June, 1888—Present Aldermen Parsonage ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Lawrence, Norman and Waghorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1-OPENING OF THE RECREATION GROUND—Mr. Agg-Gardner having intimated his ability to be present on the 20th inst., It was Resolved, That the Ground be opened on the 20th inst., and that the Surveyor and Town Clerk do make the necessary arrangements for such opening.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 15th day of June, 1888—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Parsonage and Simms Bull ; Councillors Darby. Ferguson, and Lawrence, (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

2-OPENING OF THE RECREATION GROUND—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee Draft Programme of the arrangements for opening the Ground, and Admission Ticket to the enclosure, and the same were settled and approved, and a sufficient number of copies ordered to be printed and distributed. It was Resolved, That Mr. Agg-Gardner, Col. Ford, and the Rev. W. H. Wright, in the absence of Canon Bell, be invited to a luncheon at the Queen's Hotel, on the 20th inst., and afterwards to proceed to the Recreation Ground to open the same.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 19th day of June, 1888—Present Alderman Parsonage; Councillors Ferguson, Norman, and Waghorne (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

3—OPENING OF THE RECREATION GROUND—A Letter from W. H. Gwinnett, Esq., declining to give his sanction to the Recreation Ground presented to the town by Mr. Agg-Gardner, being named after him, was read. And It was Resolved, That the correspondence be read at the opening ceremony to-morrow, and that the ground be named The Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground.

The arrangements for opening the ground to-morrow were finally settled.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 22nd day of June, 1888—Present Alderman Simms-Bull ; Councillors Darby, Lawrence, Norman, Ferguson (Councillor Lawrence in the chair )—

4--RECREATION GROUND —It was Resolved that Two dozen seats similar to those in the Cemetery, be provided for use in the ground. It was Resolved, That the Name of the Recreation Ground be affixed at each entrance thereto and that in the opinion of the Committee a Drinking Fountain should be erected in some part of the ground, and that in connection therewith, or in some other appropriate position, a Tablet with a suitable inscription thereon should be placed on the ground as a permanent record of Mr. Agg-Gardner's gift to the town.

5—CLEEVE COMMON—A Letter from Mr. A. W. Bryant on the subject of the proposed renewal of the application for a Provisional Order for the Regulation of this Common, was read and considered. And It was Resolved, That this Committee suggest that a Conference should be held between this

Committee and the Committee of the Commoners on the subject, such Conference to be held when and where the Commoners' Committee indicate.

6—PITTVILLE ESTATE—The Letter from Messrs. Ticehurst and Son, of date the 13th of March last, offering this estate to the Corporation for the sum of £5,400, together with the Report of the Town Clerk on the Estate presented at the last meeting of the Town Council, were further considered. And It was Resolved, That this Committee do Report to the Town Council recommending the purchase of the Estate, (assuming that a proper title can be skewed to the Rent Charges, as now paid and received, amounting to £604 11/- at the said sum of £5,400 subject to a Provisional Agreement to be prepared and entered into by all necessary parties and to the confirmation thereof by Parliament and with and subject to such powers and provisions relating thereto as may be granted or imposed by Parliament.

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of June, 1888 — Present. The Mayor, Councillors Cox, Heath, and Parsonage (Councillor Cox in the chair).—

1—FEES ON BURIAL OF ANNE HUTTON—A letter from R. L. Wood, Esq., requesting to be informed why the fees on the burial of Miss Hutton who was interred in the vault of the late Dr. Walker, but who owned a burial place adjoining, were so exceptionally high, the amount charged, including Rector's fees, &c., being £10 2/6, and also asking for the necessary form for the transfer of such adjoining space to the Rev. J. Walker, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Clerk do call Mr. Ley Wood's attention to Rule 20 of the Cemetery Regulations, which directs that an interment of the body of a person not being the husband or wife, or a blood relation, to the owner of a grave space, shall not be allowed except upon payment of an original set of fees. That with respect to the matter of the transfer of the grave space to Mr. Walker, the Board do not recognise transfers, but arrangements may be made for cancelling a grant where there has been no interment and the issue of a fresh grant on terms to be agreed on.

2-DESIGNS—The following designs were examined and approved, viz. :—Headstones to Barbara Robb, John Millard, Theodore L. C. Waghorne, Alfred A. M. Morris, James H. Hobbs, Agnes Mary Caulfield, and Esther Anne Gardner. Tomb to Admiral J. B. Willoughby.

3—ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and ordered to be paid:—

W. Gregory, Labourers' Wages ... £1 4 0  
Horace Edwards, Books ... £2 1 0  
W. A. Baker, Painting Grave Markers ... £0 18 6  
George Woodward, Repairing Truck ... £0 18 6  
GEO. JAS. COX, Chairman.

## **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 22nd day of June, 1888—Present Aldermen Parsonage, Ramsay and Welch ; Councillor Neale (Alderman Capt. Welch in the chair) —

1—LIBRARIAN'S REPORT—The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also Reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library, viz. :—

Irish Loyal Patriotic Union, 4 vols. and 3 pamphlets

Annual Reports from the Libraries at Battersea, Chester, Ealing, Glasgow, Plymouth, and Richmond.

2—TENDERS FOR BOOKS AND PRINTING—The Sub-Committee Reported That they had received and examined the Tenders for the supply of Books, Periodicals, and Newspapers, and the Binding for the year, commencing 1st July next, and recommended That the Tender of Mr. J. J. Banks for the Books, &c., and that of Messrs. Norman and Sawyer for the Binding be accepted. And It was Resolved, That the Tenders in question be accepted.

3—LIBRARY BUILDING—Mr. Knight attended the Committee and he was directed to bring up, at a Meeting to be held on the 9th prox., an Account shewing the amount of extras for which orders had been given to the present time, the cost of the Heating and Lighting, Fittings, and a Specification for the Furniture.

4 — ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and allowed:

Messrs. Norman, Sawyer, & Co., Binding ... £23 3 4  
“ “ Stationery ... £0 3 0  
Mr. J. J. Banks, Books, Periodicals and Papers ... £17 3 2  
Wages ... £12 2 6  
Petty Cash ... £5 0 0  
Messrs. Shirer and Haddon, Decorations on laying of ... £11 10 0  
Foundation Stone of New Library Building

GEORGE A. WELCH, Chairman.

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## **TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Saturday, the 23rd day of June, 1888 —Present: Aldermen Parsonage, Ramsay, and Simms Bull ; Councillors Norman, Pippett and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

1—LAND IN THE PROMENADE OPPOSITE MR. POWELL'S—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee an extract from the conveyance to the Trustees of the School of Art, skewing that the Trustees had entered into a covenant with Mr. Powell that no buildings other than an ornamental kiosk (not being a lavatory or urinal) bandstand, monument, fountain, or the like, should ever be erected on the land in front of the premises called the Imperial Rooms conveyed to him nor anything done thereon to deteriorate or lessen the value of the rooms, or which might be unsightly or disagreeable to the

public, or a nuisance or annoyance to Mr. Powell and the owners or occupiers for the time being of the said rooms. And It was Resolved, That the land be accepted subject to the aforesaid covenant, and that the thanks of the Council be given to the Committee of the School of Art for the same, and that they be also informed that it is the intention of this Committee to recommend the erection on the land in question either of a fountain or a band stand.

JNO. WAGHORNE, Chairman.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 28th of June, 1888—Present: The Mayor; Aldermen Parsonage and Thoyts; Councillors Darby, Kite and Parsonage (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1—BOROUGH RATE ON 238, HIGH STREET—It was Resolved, That the rateable value of these premises be amended to £76 10s., the rate to be charged on that amount.

1—COLLECTION OF URBAN RATES.—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 28th inst., was read, shewing that the amounts collected to this date on the Borough (Genl. District) Rate was £6645, leaving outstanding £4998 7s. 5 ½ d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No. 1, £1,749, leaving outstanding £237 15s. 3½ d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No 2, £45, leaving outstanding £6 17s. 7d.

2—WATER RATE.—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 31st inst., on the collection of this Rate was read, shewing receipts in Cheltenham to this date of £4387 11s. 8d., leaving outstanding £2370 6s. 10d. In Tewkesbury £335 12s. 11d. leaving outstanding £86 18s. 7d.

6--ACCOUNTS. The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts during the past month, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums :

#### RECEIPTS.

Library Revenue ... £8 19 2  
Urban Authority (Revenue) ... £2768 15 11  
Burial Board (Revenue) ... £42 0 11  
Branch Servers ... £20 0 0  
Water (Revenue) ... £1735 6 7  
" (Capital) Loan ... £284 0 8  
Baths (Revenue) ... £24 6 7

#### ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID—

Borough Fund ... £655 9 10  
Public Library (Revenue) ... £101 11 10  
Ditto (Capital) ... £1211 10 0  
Public Baths (Revenue) ... £158 14 3  
Recreation Grounds (Capital) ... £40 14 5  
Ditto (Revenue) ... £4 8 0  
Urban Authority (Revenue) ... £2555 6 5

Burial Board (Revenue) ... £64 2 0  
Branch Sewers ... £71 3 10  
Water (Revenue) ... £2871 19 11  
Ditto (Capital) ... £172 11 6

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

### **Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, Aug. 1st, 1888.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Quarterly Meeting of the Council, as such, and acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Tuesday, the 7th day of August inst., at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, 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. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the following Committees

THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. THE WATER COMMITTEE. THE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE, THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE, THE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. THE TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. THE ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

4. Councillor Darby to move : " That the Resolution of the Council withholding a License from John Bullingham on the 18th June last, be Rescinded, and that a License be granted."

5. Notices of Motion.

6. To read and consider the following Memorials and pass Resolutions thereon if need be : Genl. Green and others re Footpath in College Road. Walter Toms and others re Trees in front of 7, 8, and 9, Promenade Terrace.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

### **Borough of Cheltenham**

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the meeting of the Council, to be held on Tuesday, the 7th of August, 1888.

## **STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 5th day of July, 1888—Present Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Heath, and Lawrence (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1— HIGHWAY INSPECTOR—A Letter from Mr. McGuire, thanking the Council for appointing him to the office of Highway Inspector, stating that he should be able to enter on his duties in a month's time, and that he proposed as a security "The Guarantee Society, 19, Birchin Lane," together with the Town Clerk's reply thereto, were read, and the latter approved.

2---ASSISTANT SURVEYOR—It was Resolved, That Mr. Hill be informed that his services as Assistant Surveyor will not be required after the 1st Sept. Next.

3—COLONNADE IMPROVEMENT—These Draft Agreements were again laid before the Committee, revised, and settled.

4 —HALES ROAD—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a Report he had drawn up as to the position of the Council in this matter. And It was Resolved, That the Charlton Kings Local Board be informed that the Council are prepared to keep in repair the whole of the footpath in the Borough if the Board will on their part keep in repair the whole of the footpath which is in Charlton Kings.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 31st day of July, 1888—Present: Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull; Councillors Cox, Ferguson, and Lawrence (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

5—GAS—The Gas Examiner's Monthly Report of the Tests made by him during the month was read. Average Illuminating power 16.77 candles. Sulphur average 15.92 Grains per 100 cubic feet. The Gas Inspector's Monthly Report was read. Average consumption per lamp per hour 4.259 cubic feet.

6—FOOTPATH IN SANDFORD ROAD---A Specification from the Surveyor, of date the 30th day of July, of the Works required to be done to the above footpath was read and approved. And It was Resolved That Notice be given under Section 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said Street, requiring to be levelled and repaired; requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days ; and that if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act. It was also Resolved That the Bordering and Channelling be executed by the Corporation.

7—SPECIAL WORKS IN OLD WELL LANE—Ditto ditto ROAD FROM CLARENCE SQUARE TO PITTVILLE CATES—The Surveyor reported that the Special Works ordered to be done in the above Streets had been completed in accordance with the Specifications at a cost of £69 15s. 2d. and £75 2s. respectively, which sums he had apportioned between the respective abutting Owners as set forth in his Report. And It was Resolved, That Notice be given to the said Owners of such Apportionment and demand made for the repayment of the amount due from each.

8—CHESTER WALK Improvement—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee a Plan for the widening of this walk by setting back a part of the Dorset Mews property, so as to make the Walk of an uniform width of 12 feet, and for which the Owner required the sum of £120.. The Corporation to reinstate the end of the coach-house, yard, wall, and fix along the garden frontage iron palisading on a dwarf wall. And It was Resolved, That an offer of £150 be made, the Owner executing the necessary works of the Borough Surveyor and setting back the coach house in a line with the frontage of the stable adjoining Chester Walk.

9—PAVEMENT IN MONTPELLIER AVENUE—A Letter from Messrs. Wedberg and Edney, calling attention to the bad state of the Pavement in front of 5 and 6 Montpellier Avenue, was read. And It was Resolved, That the case is one of ordinary repair, which will be attended to.

10—PAVEMENT ON EAST SIDE OF LADIES' COLLEGE—A Letter from the Secretary of the Ladies' College, forwarding copy of a resolution of the Executive Committee of the College, in which the Committee expressed their regret to see that these footpaths are being repaired with asphalte, and urging upon the Town Council the importance of the whole of the pavements in the approaches to the College being of the best possible description, was read. And It was Resolved, That the attention of the Executive Committee be called to the terms of the Street and Highway Committee's Resolution, of date the 28th Nov., 1871, accepting from the College certain land necessary for the widening of the footpaths in St. George's Road and Old Well Lane, on the understanding that the then Commissioners should make and perfect the footpath and pavement and do whatever works thereto they deemed necessary.

11— PAVEMENT IN ST. JAMES STREET—A Letter from Mr. Wm. Barron, calling attention to the bad state of the pavement in this street, was read. And It was Resolved That it is a work of ordinary repair, which will be attended to.

12-VOLUNTARY REGISTRATION of Homes for Military Purposes—A Letter from Major-Gent. Ravenhill, Inspector-Genl. of Army re-mounts, requesting to be informed if any and what horses the Corporation have which they would be prepared to register for the purpose of forming a Reserve for Military purposes in case of a National Emergency, was read. And It was Resolved, That the forms be handed to the Highway Inspector to fill up and return to the war office.

13— CROSSING OVER COLLEGE ROAD at Sunningend—A Letter from Mr. H. H. Martyn, asking the Committee to reconsider their 1 resolution of date the 29th May last ordering hint to lay down a 6 foot pavement from the High-street to the Chelt foot-path was read. And It was Resolved, That the Committee see no reason to depart from their previous resolution.

14—SPECIAL WORKS in St. James' Square —A Letter from Miss Jane Williams, to whom a notice had been given to pay the sum of £32 7s. 4d. for Special Works in front of St. James's Cottage, St. James's Square, a house in which she and her sister live and have only a life interest, asking to be relieved from payment of the amount and urging inability to pay, was read. And It was Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for further consideration.

15 - SPECIAL WORKS in Dagmar Road—A Memorial from Mr. Wm. Tyler and other owners of property in Dagmar Road, objecting to being called upon to pay for the special works lately executed

in that road, inasmuch as they had previously paid for similar works in the same street, was read. And It was Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for further consideration.

16--DAMAGE TO ROAD at " Bournside," Hatherley Road—A Letter from Messrs. Ticehurst and Sons, asking, on behalf of Col. Theobald, the owner and occupier of " Bournside," whether the Corporation intend doing anything towards the repair of this road, which has been very much damaged by the user thereof, by the Corporation carts employed in hauling road dirt &c., for spreading on land of Mr. Brewster, was read. And It was Resolved, That Messrs. Ticehurst and Sons be informed That as the hauling in question was done at the request and in the service of Mr. Brewster, it is to Mr. Brewster that any application should be addressed.

17-PROPOSED TELEPHONE EXCHANGE A Letter from Mr. W. C. Owen, the Local Secretary of the Western Counties Telephone Co., Limited, referring to his previous Letters on this subject, and stating he would be glad to have definite information as to whether the Corporation would give the Company their support, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Company be informed that the Corporation are not at present prepared to join the list of Subscribers to the proposed exchange.

18s—CROSSING near " Hendre," Overton Road—A Memorial from Mr. Chas. Winstone and others, asking for a Crossing as above, was read. And It was Resolved That the application be complied with.

19-- PAVING in Old Bath Road—A Memorial from Mr. Wm. Townshend and others, respectfully protesting against the laying down of pavement from High Street to the end of Waresley Villas, as they considered asphalt would be more suitable to the suburban character of the vicinity, and praying the Council to reconsider the matter, was read. And It was Resolved That the Committee see no reason to alter their previous resolution on the subject.

20-GREENHOUSE at Windsor Lodge, Prestbury Road—A Memorial from Mr. James Page and others, praying that Mr. Allen might be allowed to erect a Greenhouse at Windsor Lodge from the side of the road to the one already erected was read. And It was Resolved, That the Memorialists be referred to the Committee's previous resolution on the subject which they see no reason to depart from.

21--REPAIR of Christ Church Road--A Tender from Mr. Mark Williams, offering to execute the necessary works in this road for the sum of 12s. 2d. per yard run for the carriage way, and 1s. 6d. per yard run for the footpath being the only tender received in answer to the advertisement) was read. And It was Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned.

22-APPOINTMENT OF CLERK at Central Depot—It was Resolved That the Highway Inspector be requested to submit to this Committee, at an early date, the name of a person to fill the above office, and that the Committee be empowered, if they think fit, to approve the selection.

23-NEW BUILDINGS—The Surveyor submitted Notices and Plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz., Mr. John Dicks, for Additions to 177, High Street ; Messrs. Norman May & Co. for Additions to 23, Promenade Villas ; Mr. Albert Dix, for Stable, &c., at back of 2, Clare Terrace, Bath Road ; Mr. H. J. Maule, for Additions to Saddlery Stores facing New Street ; Mr. J. G. Flory, for four houses in Leighton Road ; The Vicar of All Saints Church for Extension of Mission Room in Sherborne Place; Mr. James Moore for Offices and Show Rooms in Bath Parade.

The Surveyor also submitted Notices and Plans received by him from Mr. J. Stewart for Alteration to shop at corner of Rutland Street, which was approved subject to the projection not exceeding four feet at any part; and from Mr. Walter Buckle for shed adjoining Baker's shop in Bath Road, which was approved subject to the building not projecting in front The Brown Jug. He also submitted a Notice and Plan from George's Limited for a Bakery in Clarence Street, which was approved, subject to no part of the premises being converted into or used as a dwelling-house, and subject to the casing of the Sack Hoist being covered with corrugated iron.

He also submitted Notice and Plan received from John Gibbons for Additions to back of No. 1, St. James's Terrace, which was not approved.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 1st day of August, 1888—Present: Alderman Parsonage; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Norman, Parsonage, and Taylor (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1—DAIRIES and COWSHEDS ORDER —An application from Mr. Wm. Arkell, of 4, Grosvenor Street, to be registered as a Dairyman was read. And It was Resolved, That the Applicant be registered.

2—HOUSES WITHOUT A PROPER WATER SUPPLY---A Report from the Surveyor, reporting that the houses therein mentioned were without a proper supply of water, and that such supply can be obtained from the Corporation Mains at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts, was read. And It was Resolved, That Notice be given under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the houses in question, requiring them to obtain such supply and do all such works as may be necessary for that purpose.

3 -- WATER SUPPLY to Cottages in Jersey Street—A Letter from Mr. Mark Williams, objecting to put a tap in each of his cottages in Jersey Street, as required by the Manager of the Water Department, and asking to be allowed to place taps in positions marked on a Plan accompanying his Letter, was read. And It was Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Water Committee.

4--EXTENSION of SEWER in All Saints Road—A Letter from Mr. Chas. Winstone, asking for the Public Sewer to be extended to the back of three villas erected by him on the East side of this road for the drainage of these and other properties intended to be erected on his land there, was read. And It was Resolved, That a Sewer be constructed on payment by Mr. Winstone of £20 towards the cost thereof.

5—URINALS—The Committee inspected the public urinals and found some in a satisfactory condition, with a few exceptions, as to which they ordered the following repairs and improvements, viz., at the urinal in Church Lane a flag-stone to be laid at the entrance, and a perforated pipe to be fixed along the back of the urinal, so as to afford a continuous supply of water. The walls of the urinal in York Passage to be raised and a lamp to be placed inside. The Tangent Alley Urinal to be

ventilated at the top of the front wall. The pump and fittings at the Milsom Street Urinal to be repaired. A screen to be placed at the entrance to the urinal in St. George's Square, and the urinal at the Pound to have a new gully put in and be otherwise repaired.

6-DELANCEY HOSPITAL FEES—A Letter from the Hon. Sec. to the Delancey Hospital stating that the Trustees are not aware of the existence of any "special agreement quite irrespective of any rule as to terms made by the Trustees," and that they could see no reason why the Council should not in common with all other Subscribers be subject to the rules and regulations of the hospital, was read.

7— ACCOUNTS—The following accounts were examined and allowed:

R. E. & C. Marshall, Repairing Copper Kettle ... £0 1 0

C. Nicholls, Baskets ... £0 17 6

J. H. Bennett, Returns of Births and Deaths ... £0 14 6

Vicar of Elmstone Hardwicke, Tithe on Land at Elmstone Hardwicke ... £0 7 7

Sanitary Record, 15 volumes... £1 10 0

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

#### **WATER COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 1st day of August, 1888—Present Aldermen Parsonage and Thoyts; Councillors Ferguson, Taylor and Price (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1-The Manager's Monthly Report on the Works and other matters was read and approved.

2-TEWKESBURY WORKS: Grove—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the Draft Conveyance from Mr. Grove and the Engrossment thereof, with certain modifications and additions agreed to by Mr. Grove. And It was Resolved, That the same be approved and That the Common Seal of the Corporation be affixed to the Engrossment as altered and added to.

3 - DOWDESWELL WORKS—It was Resolved That a Care-taker for these Works be appointed at a salary of £1 1s. a week, and that one be advertised for accordingly. The advertisement to be settled by the Manager and Town Clerk, and inserted in the Examiner and Echo.

Messrs. Sturge and Son's Account for Reporting on, Valuing, and assisting in settling the Claims of the Mill Owners and others, amounting to £105 and £6 18s. Travelling Expenses, was laid before the Committee, and considered. And It was Resolved That the same be allowed and paid. .;

4-RECREATION GROUND—A Letter from the Rev. J. A. Owen to the Chairman of the Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, requesting the consent of the Town Council to the erection in the Recreation Ground by the Cheltenham Temperance Union of a Drinking Fountain, and the promise of the Corporation to supply it with water when erected, was read. And It was Resolved, That a supply of water be laid on to the Fountain when erected.

5—APPEALS--Various Appeals were considered, and the Rates settled and adjusted.

6 - APPLICATIONS sold Agreements for supply of water during the past month were examined and approved.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 31st day of July 1888-Present: The Mayor; Simms-Bull ; Councillors Cox, and Taylor, (Alderman: Simms-Bull in the chair)—

1—FIRE BRIGADE—A Report from the Superintendent that the Brigade had been called out to two tires during the month, viz:—At 148, High Street, on the 1st inst., and at 15, North Place, on 15th inst. that the Bill of Expenses in the first case, amounting to £5 17s., had been paid by the " Phoenix " and Queen " Insurance Co's., and that the Bill of Expenses in the latter case, amounting to 12/6, had been sent in to the Royal " Insurance Co., was read.

2 ---HACKNEY CARRIAGE LICENSE—Paul—An application from Geo. Paul for the re-issue to him of License No. 75, formerly held by him, was read. And It was resolved, That the license be not granted.

3— WHEEL CHAIR LICENSES Facey—A letter from John Facey, stating that he is now residing in the borough, viz: at 12, St. George's Parade, and asking to be granted a Wheel Chair License, was read. And It was Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for Inspector Young to make enquiries as to whether or not the applicant really is a resident in the borough.

4—McILWAIN —A Letter from Thos. McIlwain on the subject of his wheel-chair license having been withheld from him at. the Annual Licensing Meeting, and praying the Committee to reconsider the matter, was read, as also a Letter from Miss Clarke, of 2, Promenade Terrace, supporting the application. And It was Resolved, That the Committee cannot recommend any reversal of the decision arrived at by the Town Council at the Annual Licensing Meeting.

5— BELGIAN CONSUL AT BRISTOL -A Letter from the Home Secretary, stating that an alteration had been made in the area of jurisdiction of the Belgian Consul at Bristol, who would in future have jurisdiction over the Counties of Somerset and Gloucester, and requesting that the alteration might he noted and communicated to such other authorities as it may concern, was read.

6—ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and allowed:

W. Hayman, Stationery and Printing ... £0 9 0

W. H. Walton, Fly Hire ... £0 13 0

G. H. Devereux, 'Weighing Machine Book ... £1 1 0

R. E. & C. Marshall, Letter Boxes in Town Clerk's and Borough Accountants Offices ... £1 3 6

E. Malvern, Feather Brush ... £0 5 9

W. SIMMS BULL, Chairman.

## **BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday the 4th day of July, 1888—Present: Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Lawrence, Norman, Taylor, and Waghorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1 —RECREATION GROUND—The Surveyor laid before the Committee Plan and Elevation of the Caretaker's Cottage. And It was Resolved, That the same be approved and that the Surveyor be directed to prepare a Specification, and that tenders be advertised for in the Examiner and Echo.

2—CLEEVE COMMON—It was Resolved That it be referred to the Chairman, Councillor Norman, and the Town Clerk, to draw up a statement, sheaving the suitability for and advantages of this Common as a site for the Annual Meeting of the National Rifle Association, with sketch plan annexed, and send the same to the Council of the Association and others.

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 27th day of July, 1888—Present Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Ferguson, Lawrence, Norman, and Taylor (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)-

3—SWIMMING BATH—The Report of the Manager on the working of the Swimming Bath during the past month, was read, and approved.

4—BYE-LAWS—A Letter from the Secretary of the Local Government Board returning print of the Baths Bye-laws, with the approval of the Local Government Board thereto, was read. And It was Resolved, That a sufficient number of copies as posters and in book form be printed.

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5-RECREATION GROUND—A Letter from the Rev. Jas. Owen, as President of the Cheltenham Temperance Union, requesting the consent of the Council to the erection in the Recreation Ground by the Union, if they can procure the necessary funds, of a drinking fountain, and their consent to supply the fountain with water, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Union be thanked for their offer, and that the same be accepted subject to the approval by the Council of the fountain to be erected.

6—FRIENDS' BURIAL GROUND, Cross Street—A Letter from Col. Ford to the Chairman stating that the turf in this ground being in a bad condition, the Kyrie Society considered it desirable to lay it down either with asphalte or cement, and asking if the Corporation would do it or give a grant in aid, was read. And the Surveyor was directed to report as to the best material to be used and the cost of it.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 1st day of August, 1888—Present : Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Ferguson, Lawrence, Norman, and Taylor ( Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

7. —RECREATION GROUND—The following Tenders for erection of the Care-taker's cottage, being the only ones sent in, were opened

H. D. Brown ... £255 10 0

W. C. Channon ... £310 0 0

W. J. Morgan ... £310 0 0

G. H. Parker ... £329 0 0

And It was Resolved, That Mr. Brown's Tender be accepted.

8—BYE-LAWS—A Letter from the Local Government Board, returning the Draft of the Bye-Laws for Regulation of the Recreation Ground, giving reasons why the Bye-Laws objected to could not be approved, and assenting to others proposed, was read. And It was Resolved, That with respect to the proposed Bye-Law prohibiting the playing of games on Sunday, the Town Clerk do write again thereon to the Board.

9— SWIMMING BATH—It was Resolved That the Elementary School Managers be informed that the Bath is open on Wednesdays from 4 to 6 p.m., at a charge of 1d. for each boy, including use of towel and drawers, subject to the following conditions

(1) The boys from each school to be accompanied by a Manager, Master, or Pupil Teacher (not a Monitor).

(2) When the number is not less than 50 the Bath will be reserved for a School, or Schools, provided previous arrangement is made with the Bath Manager.

(3) The time for each School is limited to half-an-hour. It was also Resolved That the Bath Attendant be allowed from 12 noon to 6 p.m. on Mondays as a holiday, for the present.

10-ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and allowed:

Bryant and Garnick, Uniform for Caretaker of Recreation Ground ... £5 5 0

J. A. Smith, Brake Hire ... £2 7 0

Cheltenham Poor Rate on 19, Courtenay Street ... £ 0 5 0

Queen's Hotel—Fly Hire, Opening of Recreation Ground ... £5 10 0

Ditto Luncheon ditto ... £15 10 6

Voile & Co., Coal ... £4 6 7

Jno. Williams & Co., ditto ... £4 7 2

Diamond Sanitary Laundry Co., Washing Towels ... £10 1 0

Gas Company, Gas June Quarter ... £1 10 9

Proprietors of Cheltenham Chronicle, Advertising ... £0 10 6

W. H. Walton, Fly Hire ... £0 7 0

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

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### **BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 31st day of July, 1888 —Present :—The Mayor, Councillors Cox, Clark, and Parsonage (Councillor Cox in the chair)—

1—SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT—The Superintendent reported that on the 9th July a person named Jane Wilson, of Fairford Cottage, St. Paul's, was detected stealing Shrubs and Flowers from Graves in the Cemetery, that a summons had been taken out against her, which was heard on the 16th inst., and that she had been fined by the Magistrates and costs. And It was Resolved That a handbill, in the form now submitted by the Clerk, warning persons against similar offences, be printed and posted up in the Cemetery. It was also Resolved, That a gratuity of £1 be made to the men who detected and reported the commission of the above offence.

2—GRAVE SPACE belonging to the late Anne Hutton—A Letter from Mr. Ley Wood, asking upon what terms a fresh Grant of this Grave Space would be made to the Rev. J. E. Walker, the arrangement between the deceased and him being that he would allow her to be buried in the Walker Family Vault on his taking over her grant adjoining, was read. And It was Resolved, That the charge be one-half of the amount of the original fees and the usual charge for Grant and Stamp.

3—DESIGNS—The following Designs were examined and approved, viz., Headstones to Wm. Smith, Samuel Smith, Wm. Ashton Coombs, Edwin Wakefield, Mary Ann Prew, and Mary Mackenzie. Tombs to Elizabeth Gabell, Bertha M. G. Verity, and Amelia A. A. Garlike.

4—ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and allowed

W. Gregory, Labourers' Wages ...	£9 2 0
W. H. Walton, Fly Hire ...	£0 13 0
Waterlow Bros. and Layton, Stamping Grants ...	£1 1 6
Hy. Davies, Printing ...	£3 17 6
Hy. Workman, Coal ...	£1 12 0
R. E. and C. Marshall, Dutch Hoes ...	£0 3 6
J. Humphris, Repairing Truck ...	£2 13 0

GEO. JAS. COX,

Chairman.

### **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 27th day of July, 1888—Present: Aldermen Parsonage and Welch ; Councillors Kite, Neale, Parsonage, and Taylor (Alderman Capt. Welch in the chair)—

1—LIBRARY FITTINGS—Mr. Knight attended this meeting of the Committee and laid before the Committee Plans and Specifications of the necessary bookshelves, Tables and other Fittings. And It was Resolved, That the same be approved, and that Tenders be advertised for in the Examiner, Echo, and Mercury, and two Gloucester papers.

2-LIBRARIAN'S REPORT—The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also Reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library, viz.:—

Delegates of Clarendon Press ... 41 vols.  
Committee of Cobden Club ... 15 pamphlets  
Society for Promoting the Return of Women for Poor-law Guardians ... 1 pamphlet  
Emigrants' Information Office, London ... 2 pamphlets  
Sydney Morning News ... 1 vol.  
National Association for Technical Education ... 1 pamphlet  
Principal of University Correspondence College, Cambridge ... 3 pamphlets  
Mr. Barnfield ... 3 vols  
Mrs. M. M. Sherbrooke, London ... 1 pamphlet  
Annual Reports from the Libraries at Aston, Birkenhead, Stafford, and Stoke-on-Trent

3—SUB-COMMITTEE—A Report from the Sub-Committee recommending the purchase of Books to the value of £15, and reporting a gift of Books from the Clarendon Press, Oxford, to the value of £25, was read and approved.

4—ACCOUNTS The following Accounts were examined and allowed, viz.,

Librarian, for Assistants' Wages ...	£9 17 0
A. H. Nott, coal ...	£0 16 0
James Webb, books ...	£2 5 6
W. Brampton & Co., Stationery ...	£0 10 0
John Day & Son, books ...	£1 12 5
Clarendon Press, books ...	£2 8 6
Horace Edwards, stationery ...	£0 10 0

GEORGE A. W. WELCH, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 11th day of July, 1888 -Present : Aldermen Parsonage, Ramsay, and Simms Bull ; Councillors Lawrence, Norman, and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)-

1-RAILWAY STATION ACCOMMODATION-Letters from Mr. J. H. Batten on the subject of improved station accommodation in connection with the Banbury Line, were read. And It was arranged to have a Conference with him on the subject.

JNO. WAGHORNE, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 3rd day of August, 1888-Present Aldermen Parsonage, and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Clark, Norman, and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)-

2-RAILWAY STATION ACCOMMODATION-,A letter from Mr. Batten to the Town Clerk, was read. -And It was Resolved, That as the Committee understand final arrangements have been made, and the money deposited for the completion of the line from Cirencester to Andoversford, thus giving direct access from Cheltenham to Southampton, and connection with the G.W.R. at Swindon, and the L. & S.W. at Andover for east and west traffic, in the opinion of this Committee some steps should be at once taken to secure a better joint station for the use of the Companies concerned and the public, than that at Lansdown, and the Committee would be glad to confer with the representatives of the Midland Railway Co., and the Midland and S.W. Junction Railway Co., as to the best site for the same, and the approaches thereto. so that if necessary a Bill may be introduced in the next Session to give effect to the wishes of all parties, either by the Midland Railway Co., or by the Junction Co., or jointly. And It was further Resolved, That the Town Clerk do accordingly send a copy of this Resolution to the Midland and Junction Companies.

J. WAGHORNE, Chairman.

### **ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 3rd day of August, 1888-Present The Mayor; Alderman Simms-Bull, Councillors Clark, Lawrence, Norman, Taylor, and Waghorne (Councillor Norman in the chair )-

1-ELECTRIC STREET LIGHTING-This question was further considered. And It was Resolved, That the Committee do Report to the Council as follows:

That in the opinion of the Committee it is desirable to try the experiment of lighting a portion of the town with the electric light. That the area to be lighted, as shewn on the plan now laid before the Committee by the Surveyor, be the High Street from the boundary of the Borough at Hales Road to the Gloucester Road. From the High Street at the Colonnade to the ornamental lamp at Lansdown. From the cab stand in Clarence Street to the Roman Catholic Church. It is considered that 36 electric lamps each of 1200 candle power will be sufficient to efficiently light this area, and that about 170 gas lamps will be thereby rendered unnecessary. Assuming that the lamps can be supplied, either by the Corporation itself or by contract at the price of the tender accepted by the Bath Corporation for 70 similar lamps for a term of seven years, viz., £18 17s. 6d. per lamp, exclusive of the standards, the annual cost to the Corporation, exclusive of standards or brackets, would be £679 10s., from this would have to be deducted the cost of the gas lamps superseded, which at the present cost per lamp of £2 13s. 6d. would amount to £444 15s. per annum.

That it be referred to the Committee to consider and report as to the best mode of carrying out the foregoing recommendation, whether by the Corporation itself or by contract, and if the former alternative is considered preferable, to Report as to the best means of carrying the works into effect; if the latter to procure tenders.

GEORGE NORMAN, Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 2nd day of August, 1888—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Parsonage, Thoys, and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Darby, Kite and Parsonage (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1 -BOROUGH SURVEYOR'S ADVANCE a/c—It was Resolved, That the present advance a/c be closed, and that the Surveyor do repay his advance, and that a fresh advance of £100 be made to him in respect of the duties which will now devolve upon him.

2- HIGHWAY INSPECTOR—The Highway Inspector Mr. McGuire, proposed as his security that of the Guarantee Society, and submitted form of Bond, and Questions to be answered by the Corporation. And, It was Resolved, That the Town Clerk do communicate with the Society thereon. It was further Resolved, That an advance of £200 be made to the Highway Inspector, and that weekly orders be signed for £150 and placed in the Accountant's hands to hand to the Inspector in time for him to make his weekly payments, and that the security to be given by him be in the sum of £400.

3—COLLECTION OF URBAN RATES.—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 2nd inst., was read, shewing that the amount collected to this date on the Borough (Genl. District) Rate was £10,100, leaving outstanding £1543 7s. 5 ½ d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No. 1, £1,749, leaving outstanding £237 15s. 3 ½ d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No 2, £45, leaving outstanding £6 17s. 7d.

4--WATER RATE.—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 31st inst., on the collection of this Rate was read, shewing receipts in Cheltenham to this date of £6120 8s. 7d., leaving outstanding £786 3s. In Tewkesbury £387 8s. 4d. leaving outstanding £104 18s. 3d.

5—ACCOUNTS.--The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts during the past month, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums :

RECEIPTS.—

Borough Fund ...	£32 0 1
Library Revenue ...	£9 0 1
Public Baths (Revenue) ...	£38 9 3
Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£88 11 0
Burial Board (Revenue) ...	£76 0 6
Water (Revenue) ...	£1792 11 10

ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID—

Borough Fund ...	£430 16 9
Public Library (Revenue) ...	£37 19 5
Public Baths (Revenue) ...	£34 0 4
Recreation Grounds (Capital) ...	£36 12 9
Ditto (Revenue) ...	£12 14 0
Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£1746 19 2
Burial Board (Revenue) ...	£489 11 11
Branch Sewers ...	£15 18 4
Street Improvements ...	£1 4 0
Water (Revenue) ...	£97 19 6
Ditto (Capital) ...	£86 12 11

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

**Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, Aug. 29th, 1888.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Monthly Meeting of the Council, as such, and acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 3rd day of September next, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, 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. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the following Committees:

THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. THE WATER COMMITTEE. THE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE, THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE, THE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. THE TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. THE ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

4. Councillor Darby, as Chairman of the Public Health Committee, to move " That inasmuch as the Trustees of the Delancey Fever Hospital have declined to recognise the existence of any Special Agreement between the Trustees and the Corporation, as to the admission to and treatment of Patients in the Delancey Hospital, the Annual Subscription of £100, which has heretofore been paid to that institution by the Town Council, be discontinued.

5. Notices of Motion.

6. To read the following Letters and pass Resolutions thereon if need be:

The Secretary of the National Rifle Association re the future site for the Association's Prize Meetings.

R. Taylor, Application for Permission to plant a Tree opposite No. 1, Fairlight Terrace.

Manlove, Alllott and Fryer, re Destructor.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRIDGES,

Town Clerk.

**Borough of Cheltenham**

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 3rd of September, 1888.

## **STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 8th day of August 1888—Present Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Lawrence and Waghorne (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1—CLERK at the Central Depot—Mr. McGuire, the Highway Inspector, Reported That he intended to appoint Mr. J. Ellis Ponting of No. 17, Norwood Terrace, to act as Clerk at the Central Depot; that he would enter on his duties temporarily at once, and that subject to his giving satisfaction in the meantime, and to the approval of the Town Council at the next monthly meeting, he should appoint him permanently.

2—DESTRUCTOR—Suggested Plans for the Destructor and an approximate estimate of the cost thereof from Messrs. Manlove, Alliott, Fryer and Co., were laid before the Committee and considered. And the Surveyor was directed to prepare a ground plan of the land, sheaving the position, &c., of the Destructor, railway siding, &c., and the further consideration of the matter was adjourned.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of August, 1888—Present: Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Heath, Lawrence, and Waghorne (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

3—GAS—The Gas Examiner's Monthly Report of the Tests made by him during the month was read. Average Illuminating power 16.45 candles. Sulphur average 12.11 Grains per 100 cubic feet.

The Gas Inspector's Monthly Report was read. Average consumption per lamp per hour 4.344 cubic feet.

The Book kept at the Police Station was examined, and it was found that during the past month 17 Lamps were extinguished and 131 burning dimly. And It was Resolved That the attention of the Gas Company be called to these figures.

4—Special Works in St. James's Square- Williams—This matter was again adjourned for further consideration.

5—Special Works in Dagmar Road—The Memorial from Wm. Tyler and others, read at the last meeting of the Committee, was again considered, and the Surveyor having reported the completion of the repairs ordered by the Town Council, and that he knew of no reason why the Street should not now be declared a Public Highway. It was Resolved, That the above road be and it is hereby declared a Public Highway, and that the Town Clerk do cause the necessary notices to be published accordingly.

6—Christ Church Road—A letter from Lieut.-Col. Hailes, protesting against the postponement of the repair of this road, which is, in its present condition, all but impassable for vehicular traffic, was read. And It was Resolved That the Repair of the road be proceeded with under the existing

Specification, and that the Tender of Mr. Mark Williams, submitted at the last meeting, for the necessary works, be accepted.

7—Proposed Telephone Exchange—This matter was again discussed, together with an Application from the Telephone Company for permission to erect poles along the Public Highway from the Badgworth boundary into the centre of the town for the purpose of carrying their Trunk line from Gloucester to Cheltenham. And It was Resolved, That the whole matter stand over for consideration at a Special Meeting of the Committee, to be called at an early date.

8- All Saints Road—It was Resolved, That this road be completed with a coating of Blue Stone, and that the Highway Inspector do report as to the widening of the footpaths in front of the houses in Fairview Place and Cotteswold Terrace, parts of the road, and planting of the whole road.

9—Destructor—This matter was adjourned for consideration at a Special Meeting of the Committee.

10—Pittville Circus Road—A Letter from Lieut.-Gen. Knox, calling attention to the bad condition of the footpath at the East end of this road, especially along past " Sunnyside " and Nos. 1 and 2 Fernhill," was read. And It was Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a Specification for the paving of the footpath opposite houses and also opposite land not intended to be built upon, the remainder of the footpath to be gravelled.

11—Footpaths in College Road—A Memorial from General Green and others calling attention to the unsatisfactory state of the foot-paths in this road from High Street to St. Luke's Church, and respectfully asking the Corporation to have the same asphalted, was read. And It was Resolved That the Surveyor do bring up a Specification of flagging, bordering and channelling, to be done by the owners of land built upon from the Chelt to St. Luke's Church, the remainder of the footpath to be asphalted.

12 —Swindon Road—It was Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a Specification of Works required to be done by the abutting owners to the footpath on the south-west side of Swindon-road from Cleveland Street to Sun Street, except the edging, which will be done by the Corporation.

13—Colonnade Improvement - A Letter from Messrs. Winterbotham and Gurney, on behalf of George's Limited, stating that the Directors had, at a special meeting on the 27th inst., inspected the property with a view to understanding the relative importance to the Company of the lands proposed to be exchanged, but that in the absence of Mr. George and his solicitor, they were unable to identify the divisions of the Plan with the actual premises, and the Directors felt that they must consult their Managing Director before finally binding the Company, though in the meantime they saw no objection to the Drafts A and B as now altered, omitting the purchase by Georges Limited of the front shop, was read.

14-Highway Inspector's Report --The Highway Inspector Reported that the following Works had been done in his Department during the month: Repairs in Henrietta Street, Ambrose Street, King Street, St. James's Square, College Road, around St. Luke's Church, Bath Road, Gloucester Road, Old Gloucester Road, Bayshill and Pittville Circus. Repairs to Flagging &c., in College Road, High Street, Suffolk: Road, Bath Road, New Street, St. George's Road, St. James's Square, and St. James's Street. Repaired footbridge at Hatherley Brook.

15—New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted Notices and Plans received by him from the following persons, intending to erect New Buildings, all of which were approved, viz., Mr. F. E. Giller for an open shed in Beaufort Buildings, Mr. James Dicks for additions to 3 Spring Grove Villas, Major-Genl. Rainey for additions to Trowscoed Lodge, the Executors of the late Thos. Beckingsale for alterations and additions to Nos. 425, 425a and 426, High Street, Miss Louisa Morgan for two semi-detached villas on North side of Harp Hill, Mr. John Gibbons for alterations to No. 1 St. James's Terrace. The Surveyor also submitted the following Notices and Plans which were not approved, viz., Mr. W. Hayward for alterations to Leighton House, corner of Leighton Road ; J. Leighton, Esq., for a house in New Street.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

### **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 29th day of August, 1888—Present : Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Price, Parsonage, and Taylor (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1—DRAINAGE at Naunton Cottages and Arolf Cottage, Naunton Lane—A Report from the Medical Officer of Health, stating that the drainage from these houses appears to run freely into the brook which passes through Fairfield House Grounds, and that the Owner, whose attention had been called to it, had made some alteration but not to his mind a satisfactory one as there is still danger of overflow into the brook, and that the drainage from wash houses and scullery at Nos. 1 and 2 Naunton cottages finds its way in the same direction, was read. And It was Resolved, That Notices be given to the respective Owners, Mr. C. Smith and Mrs. Ward, under Sec. 23 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to construct proper cesspools for the drainage of their properties.

2—SMOKE NUISANCE at Smith's Timber Yard, near Leckhampton Station—A Letter from Major-Genl. Rainey, of Trowscoed Lodge, complaining of a nuisance caused by the smoke issuing from the chimney of an engine, lately erected close to his house, by Messrs. Smith Bros., together with a Report from the Medical Officer of Health, to the effect that the smoke referred to causes a nuisance injurious to health, and also a letter from Messrs. Smith Bros. on the subject, were read. And It was Resolved, That Notice be given to the Owners under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to abate the nuisance.

3—WATER CLOSET at Stable at back of 12, Lansdown Crescent---The Medical Officer of Health reported that this water closet empties itself directly into a horse manure pit, thereby creating a nuisance injurious to health and that it is otherwise constructed in contravention of the Bye-Laws. And It was Resolved, That Notice be given to the Owners, under Sec. 23 of the Public Health Act, to provide proper drainage for the closet in question.

4—NOTICES to Lay on Water, not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a List of Persons who had neglected to comply with the Notices served upon them to provide a proper water supply at their respective properties. And It was Resolved, That the parties be informed that unless the Notices be forthwith complied with, steps will be at once taken under Sec. 70 of the Public Health Act, to close the wells.

5—SEWERS at Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4, Brunswick Place—A Letter from Mr. W. N. D. Morgan, calling attention to the bad state of the sewers at the above houses, caused by the pipes not being large enough to take off the storm water which runs into them,

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was read. And It was Resolved That the Surveyor do proceed to construct the surface water drain from Hanover Street to relieve the Wyman brook sewer, as recommended in his Report of Sept., 1886, and that Mr. Morgan be recommended to put in a flap valve to his drain and take measures to divert the roof and surface water from his premises into the channelling in the street.

6-ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and allowed:

E. McDonald, Chemicals ... £4 17 7  
J. H. Bennett, Returns of Births and Deaths ... £0 15 3  
C. W. Heaton for analyses of samples of water ... £4 4 0  
Arthur Hill for analyses of samples of water ... £2 2 0

#### **WATER COMMITTEE.**

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 29th day of August, 1888—Present Aldermen Parsonage and Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Heath, Pippett, Price and Taylor (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1---The Manager's Monthly Report on the Works and other matters was read.

2—REPAIRS of No.1, Bath Street—The Manager submitted Tenders for the Repairs and Painting of these Premises. And It was Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. Thos. Collins, at £420 15s., be accepted.

3—Dowdeswell Works —The applications for the post of Care-Taker of these Works, 23 in number, were laid before the Committee and considered. And It was Resolved That the following be selected to be seen by the Committee, and that they be requested to attend a meeting of the Committee, to be held at 10.30 on Friday, the 31st inst.:

Isaac Chandler, Pilley, Leckhampton, Gardener  
John Cummings, 1 Williams' Cottages, Alstone, Naval Pensioner  
Thirlby Hack, 1 Beaufort-place, London-road, Builder's Clerk  
Edmund Hyde, 39 Sun-street, Butcher  
Henry Pates, Albion Gardens, Gloucester Road, Corporation Waterworks Employee  
Henry Wilks, 1, Millville-cottages, Cleveland-street, employed in Corporation Highway Department

4— APPEALS —Various Appeals were considered and the rates settled and adjusted.

5—APPLICATIONS and Agreements for supply of Water during the past month were examined and approved.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 31st day of August, 1888—Present : Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Heath, Pippett, Price, and Taylor (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

5—CARETAKER at Dowdeswell —The six selected Candidates for this post attended before the Committee. And It was Resolved, That the Committee recommend that Thirlby Hack be appointed.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 27th day of August 1888—Present: Alderman Simms-Bull; Councillors Darby and Waghorne (Alderman Simms-Bull in the chair)—

1—FIRE BRIGADE—The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had been called out to two fires during the month, on the 17th inst. to a chimney at No. 6, Bayshill Parade, the bill of expenses in which case, amounting to £2 7s. 6d., he submitted for payment by the Town Council, and on the 21st instant to a rick of hay, belonging to Mr. C. Corbett, on the Corporation Sewage Farm, Elmstone Hardwick, the bill of expenses in which, amounting to £7 2s. 6d. had been sent in to the Owner of the hay.

2— EXERCISING, &c., of Horses in the Streets-A Report from the Street Inspector to the effect that complaints had been made to him and to the police with reference to persons in the employ of Mr. Baker, of Regent Street, driving horses along the Promenade and other streets for the purposes of showing, exercising, or training and that although he had called Mr. Baker's attention to the same, and to Section to of the Improvement Act prohibiting such a practice, it still continues, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Town Clerk do write to Mr. Baker, calling attention to the illegality of training or exercising horses in the public streets, and requesting him to discontinue it.

3—NORTH PLACE Ale and Porter Stores—An application from Mr. John Such, on behalf of Mr. H. Clark, of the above Stores, for permission to erect a lamp over the entrance thereof in a position marked in red and of a pattern shewn on a sketch annexed to his letter, was read. And It was Resolved That permission be given subject to the lamp being fixed at a clear height of not less than 8 feet, and to its being removed at any time when so required by the Corporation.

4—LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1888—A circular from the Local Government Board, calling attention to the provisions of this Act, so far as the same relate to the fixing of the Electoral Divisions of the Borough for the purposes of the election of County Councillors, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Six Wards of the Borough be the six Electoral Divisions for the purposes of the Act.

5—WHEEL-CHAIR LICENSES—John Facey—This matter was again considered and as it did not appear from enquiries made that the applicant is permanently residing in the Borough. It was Resolved, That the License be not granted.

6—Wm. Cook—An Application from Wm. Cook, for permission to use another chair during the repair of his Licensed Chair, No. 14, was read. And It was Resolved, That permission be granted.

7—Hackney Carriage License—An Application from Jessie Arter, of Lansdown Crescent Mews, for a Fly License, was read. And It was Resolved, That a License be not granted.

8—ACCOUNT—The following Account was examined, and ordered to be paid :

W. A. Baker, Expenses of Fire Brigade at Fire at No. 6, Bayshill-parade, on 17th August £2 7 6

W. SIMMS BULL, Chairman.

#### **BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 16th day of August, 1888—Present Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Lawrence, Norman, and Waghorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1—CLEEVE COMMON—A Sub-Committee of the Commoners' Committee, consisting of the Rev. G. Coventry, Mr. Carroll, and Mr. Minett, attended this meeting of the Committee, and the question of the Regulation of the Common was discussed. It was proposed on the part of the Commoners Committee, That Cheltenham should pay a contribution of £50 ; That all expenses and receipts should be divided and shared, half by the Commoners and half by Cheltenham, except any receipts from grazing rights.

It was suggested that the number of Conservators be 15, 2 for Woodmancote, 3 for Southam and Brockhampton, 3 for Bishops Cleeve, 1 for the Lordship of Bishops Cleeve, 1 for the Lordship of Southam, and 5 for Cheltenham.

Purposes to be as in the Draft Provisional Order, with addition of powers to let for military or volunteer purposes and making and maintaining roads. Costs of obtaining Order to be borne equally by the Corporation and the Commoners.

The further consideration of the matter was adjourned.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 24th day of August, 1888—Present Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Darby and Waghorne (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

2—SWIMMING BATH—The Monthly Report of the Waterworks Manager on the working of this Bath during the past month, was read.

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3-RECREATION GROUND--The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee sketch plan of proposed Shelter. And It was Resolved, that the same be approved and that the Surveyor do prepare Plans and Specifications thereof and obtain Tenders for the execution thereof forthwith.

4-ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and allowed, viz. :

J. T. Norman, Printing ... £1 1 0

C.R. Iles—Printing Plans of Cleeve Common ... £0 5 0

Thos. Hailing, Printing ... £3 1 6

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 28th day of August, 1888 — Present:—The Mayor ; Councillors Clark, Heath, and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1--- DESIGNS—The following Designs were examined and approved, viz.,—Headstones to Jemima Domeney, Elizabeth Felstead, John Waddy, Mary Jane Craddock, Emma Wallace, and Eliza Cook. The following Design was examined and not allowed, viz., Footstone to Olive Christina Chamney, inscriptions not being allowed on foot stones.

2—NEW GROUND—It was Resolved That the Superintendent be instructed to have the New Ground weeded and cleaned up.

3—ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and allowed :

W. Gregory, Labourers' Wages £7 4 0

J. S. Treseder. Shrubs and Plants 16 1 0

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 24th day of August, 1888—Present : The Mayor; Aldermen Parsonage and Ramsey (Alderman Sir A. Ramsey in the chair)—

1 – The Librarian's Monthly Report was read. He also reported that the following Gifts had been made to the Library, viz., Anonymous 63 vols. ; Sir Brook Kay, Bart., 1 vol.; Baron Porcelli di Sant Andrea, 4 pamphlets ; Mr. J. Russell Endear, 1 pamphlet ; Delegates of Clarendon Press, Oxford, 1 vol.; Swedenborg Society Report. Annual Reports from Public Libraries at Hanley and Stockport.

2---SUB-COMMITTEE'S REPORT—The Report of the Sub-Committee, recommending that all Borrowers' Cards be renewed ; that an Ordnance Survey Map of the County be purchased for 10s. ; and that the Librarian be authorised to attend the Conference of Librarians at Glasgow, on the 4th, 5th, and 6th Sept. next, was read, and approved.

3-FITTINGS AND FURNITURE—Four Tenders for these Works, being the only Tenders received, were opened. And It was Resolved, That the 'fender of Messrs. Ashbee and Son, of Gloucester, at the sum of £403 5s., being the lowest Tender, be accepted, subject to their entering into a proper contract.

4-HEATING APPARATUS—Mr. Knight laid before the Committee a Tender from Messrs. Marshall & Co., for the Heating Apparatus at the sum of £380. And It was Resolved, That the same be accepted.

5- -ACCOUNTS The following Accounts were examined and allowed, viz.,

Cawthorn and Hutt, Books ... £2 5 6  
T. Miles & Co., ditto ... £1 2 7  
W. H. Smith and Son, ditto ... £4 11 10  
Douglas and Foulis, ditto ... £ 2 4 7  
T. Thorp, ditto ... £1 10 0  
John Day and Son ... £4 2 10  
Librarian, for Assistants' Wages ... £9 14 0

ALEXR. E. RAMSAY, Chairman.

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#### ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 13th day of August, 1888—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Simms-Bull ; Councillors Clark, Lawrence, Norman, Taylor, and Waghorne (Councillor Norman in the chair)—

1-- ELECTRIC LIGHTING—The Resolution of this Committee, approved at the last meeting of the Town Council, was considered. And It was Resolved, That it is desirable that the lighting of the streets by electricity be carried out by the Corporation rather than by contract with a Company or private individuals, if this course can be adopted at no large increase of cost, it being the opinion of the Committee that the creation of another private monopoly to be hereafter purchased by the Town should, if possible, be avoided, and that the retention of the supply under the control of the Town will secure greater efficiency; That the Town Clerk be requested to Report on the legal position of the Town Council in the matter, and as to what powers it will be necessary to obtain to enable the Corporation to lay down the proposed service and supply private individuals with the light, and what steps it will be necessary to take to obtain such powers; and That he be asked to make enquiries with the view of obtaining professional services of a competent expert to advise the Committee as to the installation ; That the Borough Surveyor be requested to report what sites now belonging to the Corporation are available for generating stations.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 31st day of August, 1888—Present : The Mayor; Alderman Simms Bull ; Councillors Lawrence, Norman, Waghorne, and Taylor (Councillor Norman in the chair)—

2—ELECTRIC LICHTING—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee his Report, prepared in pursuance of the directions given at their last meeting.

The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee his Report, Reporting that the following sites might be utilised for the erection of the necessary buildings and apparatus for an Electric Light Installation

1. Waterworks Pumping Station and Land in Sandford Mead.
2. Land and Buildings at Barrett's Mill.
3. Land at the Central Depot.
4. The South-west portion of the Cattle Market.

5. Land adjoining the site of the proposed Refuse Destructor.

The sites No. 3 and 5 would have the advantage of railway communication. Of these sites the Committee consider those of Barrett's Mill and the Central Depot the most suitable.

The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the Draft of a Letter to the Gas Company, which was approved and ordered to be sent to the Clerks to the Company.

The further consideration of the matter was adjourned.

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 30th of August, 1888 (Present: Aldermen Parsonage, and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Darby, and Parsonage (Councillor Darby in the chair)-

3—COLLECTION OF URBAN RATES.—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 30th inst., was read, shewing that the amount collected to this date on the Borough (Gent. District) Rate was £10,574, leaving outstanding £1069 7s. 5 ½ d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No. 1, £1,759, leaving outstanding £227 15s. 3 ½ d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No 2, £45, leaving outstanding £6 17s. 7d.

4—WATER RATE.—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 31st inst., on the collection of this Rate was read, shewing receipts in Cheltenham to this date of £6590 17s. 6d., leaving outstanding £384 16s. 8d. In Tewkesbury £471 11s. 9d. leaving outstanding £20 14s. 10d.

5—HEYDEN KNOLL SINKING FUND—It was Resolved That the amount standing to the credit of this Sinking Fund be invested in the £90,000 Water Loan.

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ACCOUNTS.—The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts during the past month, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums :

RECEIPTS.—

Borough Fund ...	£2250 0 0
Library Revenue ...	£6 2 2
Public Baths (Revenue) ...	£29 3 1
Recreation Grounds (J. T. Agg Gardner, Esq.) ...	£4 2 2
Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£1228 1 2
Burial Board (Revenue) ...	£59 7 8
Branch Sewers ...	£10 0 0
Water (Revenue) ...	£565 3 0
Ditto (Capital) ...	£4 18 1

## ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID

Borough Fund ...	£66 3 2
Public Library (Revenue) ...	£25 11 4
Ditto (Capital) ...	£0 11 7
Public Baths (Revenue) ...	£6 2 6
Recreation Grounds (Capital) ...	£64 10 9
Ditto (Revenue) ...	£7 18 4
Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£1405 15 10
Ditto (Capital) ...	£4 11 11
Burial Board (Revenue) ...	£27 0 0
Branch Sewers ...	£9 15 0
Street Improvements ...	£19 1 10
Water (Revenue) ...	£54 1 3
Ditto (Capital) ...	£89 7 3

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

To the Electric Lighting Committee.

GENTLEMEN,-

In pursuance of your request that I should report to you as to the legal position of the Corporation in the matter of the Electric Lighting of the Town, I proceed to do so.

By Section 161 of the Public Health Act any Urban Authority may contract with any person for the supply of Gas, or other means of Lighting the Streets, Markets and Public Buildings in their District, and may provide such Lamps, Lamp-posts, and other Materials and Apparatus as they may think necessary for lighting the same.

Section 55 also of the Cheltenham Improvement Act empowers the Corporation to affix and set up Lamp Posts and Lamp Irons against or upon the Palisades of Houses or against Walls as well as in or upon the streets and to cause the Lamps to be lighted with Gas, Oil, or otherwise.

Under these Provisions I think the Corporation may, without further powers, contract with any person or Company for Lighting the Streets by Electricity even if they cannot themselves erect and maintain the necessary works, but inasmuch as, if the Corporation erected their own works they would naturally seek to supply Private Consumers, it would be necessary to obtain powers to do so either under the Electric Lighting Acts or a Special Act.

The Electric Lighting Acts of 1882 and 1888 empower Local Authorities, Companies, or individuals, all comprised in the term " the Undertakers," on obtaining a License, Order, or Special Act for that purpose, to supply Electricity for "Public purposes," which are, the Lighting of any Street, place of Worship, public Building or Theatre, and for "Private purposes," which are, any purposes to which electricity is applicable except the transmission of a Telegram. It is unnecessary to refer more particularly to the mode of obtaining powers by a special Act, except to say that no such Act would probably be granted that did not incorporate, or that materially departed from, the provisions of

these Acts, or that contained provisions that would not be inserted in a Provisional Order. There appears to be no very great difference between a License and a Provisional Order except in point of limit of time of application and consent to, and right of purchase of, the Undertaking by Local Authorities, as hereinafter referred to.

A License cannot be granted to a Company or person without the consent of the Local Authority, which consent may be given on such conditions, as, subject to the approval of the Board of Trade, the Local Authority may prescribe. It cannot be granted for a longer period than seven years but with such consent as aforesaid is subject to renewal from time to time.

Notice of application for a License is to be given by Public Advertisement, and no License is to be granted until the expiration of three months from the first publication of such Notice, and if made by a Local Authority must be made in pursuance of a Resolution passed at a Special Meeting of the Authority to be held after one month's previous Notice of such Meeting.

Provisional Orders may be made by the Board of Trade with the consent of the Local Authority, unless the Board are of opinion that having regard to all the circumstances of the case such consent ought to be dispensed with, and for such period whether limited or unlimited as the Board of Trade may think proper, but in all other respects subject to the like provisions as those with respect to Licenses.

When the Undertakers are not the Local Authority notice of intention to apply for the Order must be given by them to the Local Authority on or before the 1st July in any year.

The Undertakers are to be subject to such Regulations and Conditions as may be inserted in any License, Order, or Act with respect to the following matters:

- (a) The limits within which and the conditions under which, a supply of electricity is to be compulsory or permissive.
- (b) The securing a regular and efficient supply of electricity.
- (c) The securing the safety of the public from personal injury or from fire or otherwise.
- (d) The limitation of the prices to be charged in respect of the supply of electricity.
- (e) The authorising, inspection, and inquiry from time to time by the Board of Trade and the Local Authority.
- (f) The enforcement of the due performance of the duties of the Undertakers in relation to the supply of electricity by the imposition of penalties or otherwise and the revocation of the License, Order, or Special Act, where the Undertakers have in the opinion of the Board of Trade practically failed to carry the powers granted to them into effect within a reasonable time, or discontinued the exercise of such powers, and
- (g) Generally with regard to any other matters in connexion with the undertakings.

The Board of Trade are empowered to make regulations for securing the safety of the Public from personal injury by fire or otherwise and to amend or repeal any regulations contained in any License, Order or Act.

Local Authorities are empowered to make Bye-laws for securing the safety of the Public.

Expenses incurred by a Local Authority may be defrayed out of the Local Rate, and they may borrow money in manner prescribed by the Public Health Act and the Local Loans Act, that is to say, with the consent of the Local Government Board, and for such term not exceeding 60 years, as that Board shall prescribe.

The Undertakers may acquire Lands by Agreement and construct such works and acquire such Licenses, Patents, Inventions, Machinery, and Apparatus, and enter into such Contracts, and do all such things as are necessary.

Any Local Authority which has obtained a License, Order, or Act, may Contract with any Company or Person for the execution and maintenance of any works needed for the purposes of supplying Electricity, but no Local Authority Company, or Person, can transfer to any other Company or Person, or divest themselves of, any powers given to them or Liabilities imposed by any License, Order, or Act, without the consent of the Board of Trade.

The Grant of a License or Order to any Undertakers is not to hinder or restrict the Grant of a License or Order to the Local Authority or any other Company or Person in the same area.

Certain provisions of the Gas Work Clauses Acts relating to the laying of pipes and other matters made applicable to Electricity and Wires are incorporated.

The Undertakers are prohibited from placing any Electric Wire above ground along or over any street without the express consent of the Local Authority.

Where a supply of Electricity is provided in any part of an area for private purposes, then, except in so far as is otherwise provided in the License, Order, or Act, every Company or Person in that area is entitled to a supply on the same terms as any other Company or Person is entitled to a corresponding supply.

There are provisions for protection of the Telegraphic Lines of the Post-master General, and for relieving Gas Companies from the obligations to supply gas in an area where the Board of Trade considers that such area is sufficiently lighted by the Electric Light and has ceased to be remunerative to the Gas Companies.

Section 27 of the Act of 1882 empowered the Local Authority within six months after the expiration of 21 years from the passing of the Confirming or Special Act or such shorter period as is specified in any Provisional Order or Act to purchase the Undertaking upon terms of paying the then fair market value of all the Lands, Works and Plant of the Undertakers at the time of purchase, due regard being had to the nature and their condition and state of repair thereof and their suitability to the purposes of the Undertaking but without any addition in respect of Compulsory Purchase or of Goodwill, such value to be settled by Arbitration in case of difference. This Section was repealed by the Act of 1888, but was re-enacted in substantially the same form, the term of 42 years and subsequent periods of

10 years being substituted for the term of 21 years with power to the Board of Trade to vary the terms of sale in such manner as may have been agreed on by the Local Authority and the Undertakers.

The Board of Trade have made Rules under the Act of 1882, with respect to applications for Licenses and Provisional Orders. The application is to be by Memorial addressed to the Board of Trade and the Rules prescribe the form and contents thereof, description of area of supply, amount of capital, &c., the mode and form of advertisement, &c., and in the case of Provisional Orders the Advertisements must be inserted in October or November and the Memorial must be lodged on or before the 21st December.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES, TOWN CLERK.

#### **THE CORPORATION AND THE DELANCEY HOSPITAL.**

Dear Sir,—

To enable you the better to understand the position of this question between the Corporation and the Trustees of the Delancey Hospital, I append below a resume of the Resolutions and Correspondence which have passed on the subject.

Cheltenham, August 1888.

Yours obediently,

E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

In the month of February, 1881, a Letter was read from the Trustees of the Delancey Fever Hospital, appealing to the Council to contribute an annual sum towards the maintenance of the Hospital, and a reply was sent that if the Trustees were prepared to enter into an arrangement and agreement with the Council for the reception of Patients to be sent into the Hospital by the Council, the Council would be prepared to subscribe to the funds of the Institution, and ultimately on the 31st May, 1881, the Public Health Committee passed the following Resolution :

“Delancey Fever Hospital—The Town Clerk read a Letter from Dr. Wilson stating that the Delancey Fever Hospital Trustees, in consideration of annual payment of £200 by the Town Council and the Guardians, the Trustees would be prepared to admit to the Public Wards, so far as there might from time to time be room, Small-pox and Scarlet Fever patients, sent in by the Town Council and the Guardians. at the reduced charge of 2s. per diem, such charge to include the necessary food and medical attendance, and everything else which is at present covered by the charge of 3s. per diem. And It was Resolved, That the Committee recommend that an annual subscription of £100 be paid by the Town Council, as Urban Sanitary Authority of the Borough, in four quarterly payments, to the Trustees of the Delancey Hospital, on the terms as to admission of patients mentioned in Dr. Wilson's letter, the Council reserving to themselves the right to withdraw such subscription at any time they may think it right or necessary to do so.”

A copy of this Minute and Resolution was sent to the Hon. Sec. of the Trustees, Dr. E. T. Wilson, on the 11th of June, 1881. A Resolution of the Trustees in reply was received, and laid before the Public Health Committee, setting forth that the Board of Guardians would only pay £50 per annum, but notwithstanding that, patients sent in by the Town Council would be admitted to the Public Wards on the terms mentioned in Dr. Wilson's letter.

The agreement so come to was acted on until Nov., 1887, when the following communications passed :

1887-26th Nov.—Letter received from Dr. Wilson, referring to the case of is Tradesman in the town, whose children had been sent in to the Public Wards on the order of the Medical Officer of Health, they being ineligible for admission to the Public Wards, under Rule 7.

30th NOV.—Resolution of Public Health Committee, referring Dr. Wilson to the Resolution of this Committee of 3tst May, 1881, the terms of which were accepted by the Trustees, and that the Rule in question being made after that date, without notice to the Corporation, was not binding on them.

1888-4th Jan.—Letter from Dr. Wilson, with Resolution of Delancey Trustees: " That the Rule in question was published in the last Annual Report of the Trustees, and they could not in future receive any patients except in conformity with the Rules for the time being in existence"

30th Jan.—Resolution of Public Health Committee proposing Conference.

9th Feb.—Letter from Dr. Wilson that the Rules had liven materially revised and were in printers' hands, and postponing Conference until the New Rulers are published.

Same date—Letter to Dr. Wilson in reply proposing Conference before the rules are printed, as it was possible some modification might result therefrom.

Same date—Letter from Dr. Wilson in reply, that the Rules had been passed at a full meeting of the Trustees, and could not be submitted to the meeting proposed.

29th Feb.—Correspondence read at meeting of Public Health Committee and Resolution passed, asking Dr. Wilson if it is the intention of the Trustees to put an end to the existing arrangement.

13th March—Letter from Dr. 'Wilson that he is not aware that the Trustees have any intention or wish to put an end to the existing arrangement, and sends copy of Report for 1887, in which the alterations in the Rules were marked.

28th March—Resolution of Public Health Committee expressing satisfaction that the inference to be drawn from the Trustee's resolution of 4th January last was not intended, and that they understand that Rule 7 will not apply to patients sent in by order of the Medical Officer of Health.

25th April—Letter from Dr. Wilson, that the Trustees fail to see that the correspondence justifies the conclusion that Rule 7 does not apply to Patients sent in by order of the Medical Officer of Health.

10th May—Letter in reply, approved by the Public Health Committee, recapitulating the foregoing transactions, and stating that the existing arrangement is clearly inconsistent with Rule 7, and requesting Dr. Wilson to say clearly and distinctly what it is the Trustees do mean.

14th June—Letter from Dr. Wilson that under the Rules in existence at the time the subscription of the Town Council commenced, the Trustees reserve power to make any alterations in the rules or make such new rules as they think fit, and are at a loss to conceive why the Town Council consider themselves not bound by the rules.

16th June--Letter to Dr. Wilson, that the arrangement with the Corporation was a special one quite irrespective of any rule as to terms, and that the Corporation have never questioned the power of the Trustees to make and alter their Rules, as often as they please, or to put an end to the agreement ; and again asking for a definite reply, as the Committee must know if they are to continue to work under the arrangement made with the Trustees or under the Rules.

28th June—Letter from Dr. Wilson that the Trustees are not aware of the existence of any Special Agreement quite irrespective of any Rule as to terms made by the Trustees," and see no reason why the Town Council should not, in common with all other Subscribers, be subject to the Rules.

By the Rules of the Hospital in 1881, Small-pox Patients were admitted into the Public Wards at a charge of 2s.6d. and Scarlet Fever Patients at 3s. per day, the charge to include medical attendance, medicine, nursing, necessary food and wine washing and disinfection of personal clothing.

Rule 7, above referred to, made in 1887, provides that patients of the Artisan Class and poor patients will be admitted to the Public Wards, so far as accommodation will afford, at a charge of 2s. per day, the total payment not to exceed £4 4s., except in the case of patients occupying a house rated to the Poor at £25 and upwards per annum, when fees for medical attendance will be charged as an extra, unless they prefer to employ their own medical attendant.

### **Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, Sep. 26th, 1888.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Monthly Meeting of the council, as such, and acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 1st day of October next, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, 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. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the following Committees :

THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. THE WATER COMMITTEE. THE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE, THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE, THE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. THE TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE and ESTIMATES FOR RATES.

4. Councillor Lawrence to move That it be referred to the Street and Highway Committee to consider the question of the Street Crossings, with a view to an improvement in the present mode of their construction as recommended by the Special Highways Committee.

5. Notices of Motion.

6. To read the following Letters and pass Resolutions thereon if need be :

Captain Welch, R.N. re Sandfield Road, at Arle.

Messrs. Griffiths', Clerks to Gas Company re Electric Lighting.

Mr. E. Wood for permission to display a Flag over the street at 199, High Street.

The Hon. Secretary of the School of Science re Library, School of Art, and School of Science Joint Appeal.

J. W. Gabb, Esq., with Resolution of Charlton Kings Local Board re Hale's Road.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

### **Borough of Cheltenham**

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday], the 1st of October, 1888.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 21st day of September, 1888—Present Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Cox, Ferguson, and Heath (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1-COLONNADE IMPROVEMENT—Mr. James Winterbotham, on behalf of George's Limited, and Mr. George, attended this meeting of the Committee, and proposed certain alterations to be made in the Draft Agreement, in consequence of the transfer of part of Mr. George's property to George's limited. These were discussed at length. And It was Resolved, That with respect to the formation of the back road in Arched Buildings Passage from T to V on the Plan, the question of the cost thereof, and the materials whereof it is to be constructed, to be left to the Arbitrator, who shall settle and assess the proportions in which such cost is to be defrayed by and between Mr. George, George's Limited, Messrs. Dobell, and the Corporation, The questions of the retention by the Corporation of their property and by Mr. George of his property in the Colonnade, and of the exchange between George's Limited and the Corporation, were adjourned for further consideration.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 25th day of September, 1888—Present: Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull ; and Councillors Cox, Heath, Lawrence, and Waghorne (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

2--GAS—The Gas Examiner's monthly report of the tests made by him during the month was read—average illuminating power 16.34 candles, sulphur average 15.21 grains per 100 cubic feet.

The Gas Inspector's monthly report was read—average consumption per lamp per hour, 4.250 cubic feet. A letter from the Clerks to the Gas Company, in reply to this Committee's resolution as to the number of lamps extinguished and burning dimly, and stating that the Manager had been requested to give the matter his attention, was read.

The book kept at the Police Station was examined and it sheaved that during the past month 14 lamps were found extinguished and 114 burning dimly. And It was Resolved That the attention of the Company be called to these figures.

A letter from Mr. W. E. Williams on the subject of the testing of the gas in the town was read, and the further consideration thereof adjourned.

3- FOOTPATH in Pittville Circus Road, College Road, and Swindon Road—Specifications from the Surveyor, of date the 24th instant, of the Works required to be done to the above streets were read and approved. And It was Resolved That Notice be given under Section 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said Streets, requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, flagged and channelled requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days ; and that if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

4--- Special Works in Swindon Road—The Surveyor reported that the Special Works ordered to be executed in the above road had been completed at a cost of £46 13s. 10d., which sum he had appointed between the respective abutting owners. as set forth in his report. And It was Resolved That Notice of the Appointment be given to the said Owners and demand made for the repayment of the amount due from each.

5- Whaddon Lane —A letter from W. F. Hicks-Beach, Esq., complaining of the bad state of repair of this lane was read, And It was Resolved That Notices for the repair of the road be served upon the Owners in accordance with the Resolution of this Committee, of date the 1st June, 1886, the work to be confined to the part of the road which is already metalled.

6—Surface Water in Passage leading past No. 349, High Street into St. Mary's Churchyard—A letter from Mr. T. P. Waite, stating that at present this passage has no drainage, the consequence being that he and his neighbours are much troubled with damp and overflow of water in their basements, and also complaining that the drain which receives the surface water from the Churchyard path is close to the private entrance of his house, and the whole of the water coming through this drain is conveyed through his premises, and after heavy rainfalls his cellar and kitchen are both flooded, was read. And It was Resolved That the Highway Inspector be requested to inspect and report thereon.

7 - Fairlight Terrace—A letter from Mr. R. Taylor, asking for permission to plant a tree in Princes Road, Tivoli, opposite No. 1, Fairlight Terrace, was read And It was Resolved That the Committee do not consider there is sufficient room for another tree at the point where Mr. Taylor desires to put one.

8—Lane near Mr. C. Cooke's Premises, Mount Pleasant—A letter from Mr. C. Cooke, of 25, Mountpleasant, asking to be allowed to use this Lane for the purpose of shewing goods for sale, was read And It was Resolved That the applicant be informed the Corporation have no power to give the required permission, and that all the present obstructions must be removed.

It was also Resolved That Notice be given to the Owner of the Stables occupied by Mr. Cooke to make the doors thereof open inwards.

9 - Chester Walk Improvement—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. Agg-Gardner had agreed to the terms proposed at the meeting of this Committee held on the 5th July last.

10—Management of Highway and Scavenging Department pending Appointment of Highway Inspector and Clerk—A report from the Surveyor stating when Mr. Packer resigned in April last, the Committee instructed him to arrange for the discharge of the duties in the best way he could, that in pursuance of such instructions he placed the Office at the Depot in charge of a youth then employed in the Paviers Department, that the whole of the Books and Accounts were kept and sent out from the Surveyor's Office by his Assistant and the then Assistant Surveyor, Mr. John Hill, in overtime, the outdoor duties being performed by Mr. Hill and himself, that the above duties continued for a period of 17 weeks, and he would be glad to know the pleasure of the Committee in respect of them, was read, And It was Resolved, That the sum of £20 be paid to the Borough Surveyor to pay for the discharge of the duties which would have been performed by Mr. Packer from the date of his resignation to the time Mr. McGuire took over the office had he continued thereon.

11-Highway Inspector's Monthly Report—The Highway Inspector reported that the following works had been done in his department during the month: Repaired with broken stone : Gloucester Road from Gas Lane to Tewkesbury Road, Gas Lane junction of Gloucester Road to Arle Road, Coach Road, Townsend Street, Cleaveland Street, St. Paul's Road, Carlton Place, Swindon Road. Patching : Evesham Road, North Place, Bails Road, Montpellier Street, High Street, Lansdown Road. Repaired with asphalte path in Hatherley Road (finished) College Road (proceeding). Footpaths : Curbing in Sandford Road (proceeding). Repaired lane back of Bay-shill Terrace, Flagging in Brunswick Street, Winchcomb Street, Prestbury Road, Worcester Street, Stanhope Street, and path and curbing in Great Norwood Street. Crossings : Relaid one in Townsend Street ; Repairs to one in Promenade and St. George's Road; and to channel in Colonnade.

It was Resolved that Mr. McGuire do procure plan and estimate for a Shed for the Steam Roller.

12—Clerk at Central Depot—The Inspector reported that Mr. J. E. Pouting, the clerk at the Depot, had fulfilled his duties satisfactorily. And It was Resolved, That his appointment be confirmed.

13—Destructor—It was Resolved, That the Finance Committee be requested to make arrangements for borrowing a sum for payment for the land and erection of the Destructor and other works, not exceeding £8000.

14- Telephone Line --The Telephone Company's application to be allowed to carry their line from the boundary of the borough at Badgeworth, along the Gloucester Road into the town, was again considered. And It was Resolved, That permission be given to erect poles up to Midland Railway Bridge, Calcutta Inn on the Gloucester Road, the poles to be of such material and pattern ; as shall be approved by the Committee, and to be fixed in the positions indicated by the Surveyor, the wires to be suspended at a height of not less than 40 feet at all points.

15 --Telephone Exchange—It was Resolved, That the Committee are not prepared at present to recommend the connection of the Municipal Offices with the Exchange., At this point the Meeting was adjourned until Friday the 27th inst.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 27th day of September, 1888—Present : Aldermen Parsonage, Simms Bull ; Councillors Cox, Darby, Heath, Lawrence, and Waghorne (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

16—HALE'S ROAD—It was Resolved, That Notices be given to the abutting owners on the footway from Sydenham Road, North to Kings Road to carry out the specification with regard to the pavement thereof.

17 -SANDFIELD ROAD at Arle—The Chairman reported that Mr. Perry, Mr. H. Butt, and Mr. Cook had declined to sign the agreement relating to the widening of this road. And It was Resolved, That the Town Clerk do inform those gentlemen that the only result of their refusal would be to prevent the Corporation taking to the road as a Public Highway and continue their liability to keep the road in repair from time to time.

18--Colonnade Improvement—Mr. James Winterbotham attended this meeting of the Committee. The points adjourned for further consideration were fully discussed. And It was Resolved that if and when all other matters are satisfactorily settled the Committee will recommend the purchase of Mr. George's premises in the Colonnade in Mr. Heath's occupation at £1,550 the Corporation relieving Mr. George from the obligation to purchase their property; That the proposed exchange between George's Limited and the Corporation of the property at the back and side of the Corporation property do include the whole of such property from the basement upwards.

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19—New Buildings--The Surveyor submitted notices and plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz. : Messrs. Randall and Day for two houses in Roman Road, St. Mark's ; Mr. W. Clevely for a house at the Knapp ; Mr. H. A. Dutton for additions to No. 1, Alpha Villas, St. George's Road; Mr. T. Beard for additions to Perrivale, King's Road.

The Surveyor also submitted notice and plan from Mr. D. Williams for a cottage between 18 and 19 Duke Street, was approved subject to there being no grating in the pavement, but a fixed pavement light will be allowed.

The Surveyor also submitted notice and amended plan hum Mr. Wm. Hayward for alterations to Leighton House, Leighton Road. And it was Resolved, That the alteration be assented to on the understanding that the space in front is not used for placing furniture on.

A plan and notice were submitted from Mr. John Beamish for two villas in Queen's Road, and the consideration thereof wan adjourned.

20 — Mr. Cantell—It was Resolved That the Town Clerk do write to Mr. Cantell, calling attention to the fact that the house he is erecting at the corner of Marge Hill Parade is not being built in accordance with the plan approved by this Committee on the 26th of June last.

21 —J. C. Morgan—The Surveyor reported that Mr. J. G. Morgan, of No. 2 Dunalley Parade, was erecting a building in the yard at the back of 2 Dunalley Parade, the intended erection of which he had given no notice of, and that the building was not being constructed in accordance with Sec. 74 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act. And It was Resolved, That Mr. Morgan be proceeded against for infringement of the Bye-law with respect to notices to be given of the erection of buildings, and that the Surveyor do give him notice under Sec. 74 of The Improvement Act, to alter and take down the building in question.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 26th day of September, 1888—Present : Alderman Parsonage; Councillors Darby, and Norman Parsonage, (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1—Dairies and Cowsheds Order—An application from Mrs. Harriet Walton, of Elm View, Swindon Road, to be registered as Purveyor of Milk was read. And It was Resolved, That the applicant be registered.

2—Willie's Slaughter House, St. Pawls Cross—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 4th and 21st of August last, and the 8th September inst., he found the above premises in such an abominably filthy condition as to create a nuisance injurious to health. And It was Resolved, That a summons be issued against Mr. Willis, the proprietor of the slaughter house, for infringement of the Bye-laws in force in the borough for the regulation of Slaughter Houses.

3-Houses without a proper Water Supply—A. Report from the Surveyor that the houses therein mentioned were without a proper supply of Water, and that such supply can be obtained from the Corporation Mains at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts was read. And It was Resolved, That Notice be given under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners requiring them to obtain such supply and do all such works as may be necessary for that purpose.

4-Nos. 1 to 9 Swindon Parade—It was Resolved That the Surveyor bring up a Specification for the paving of this Court, and that notice be given to the Owners of the property to provide proper ashbins.

5—Vauxhall Place—Elm Street—It was Resolved, that the Borough Surveyor do bring up a Specification for paving the Court at this property, and also that the drains be trapped.

6—No. 2, Clarence Street—Cossens—A letter from Mr. W. T. Cossens calling attention to an alleged nuisance existing upon his premises through a water closet belonging to Messrs. Marshall being ventilated into his larder, and a letter from the Medical Officer of Health thereon were read. And the Surveyor was directed to inspect the premises and report upon the matter.

7—Quarterly Report of the Medical Officer of Health—This Report for the Quarter ending 29th Sept. inst. was read. It was Resolved, That a sufficient number of copies of Bye-law No. 7, of the Bye-laws made under Sec. 44 of the Public Health Act, be printed for distribution to the occupiers of premises where Horses, Cattle, or Swine are kept.

8—Inspector of Nuisances—It was Resolved, That Mr. Long, the Inspector of Nuisances be granted a month's leave of absence. arranging for an efficient substitute, to the satisfaction of the Medical Officer of Health.

9—Swimming Bath Caretaker—It was Resolved, That the Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee be requested to place the services of the Bath Caretaker at the disposal of the Medical Officer of Health after the closing of the Bath.

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10—Main Sewers—The Surveyor reported that the annual inspection of the main sewers had been made and they were found to be in a satisfactory condition, also that the bed of the river Chelt had been cleansed.

11—Barn Farm—A Letter from Mr. Charles Corbett, requesting an allowance to be made to him in respect of the logs of a rick of hay by fire, he having paid the expenses of the Fire Brigade attending, amounting to £7 2s. 6d., was read. And It was Resolved, That the sum in question £7 2s. 6d., be allowed him.

12 -Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed:

J. H. Bennett, Returns of Births and Deaths ... £1 0 3

W. M. Gammond, Sickness Returns ... £2 10 0

Sanitas Co., Disinfectants ... £4 2 0

W. H. Allen and Co., Annual Subscription to Sanitary Record ... £0 10 0

G. F. Poole, Printing ... £0 15 0

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

#### **WATER COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 26th day of September, 1888—Present Alderman Parsonage and Councillors Darby, Ferguson, and Heath (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1—The Manager's Monthly Report on the Works and other matters was read.

2—PILLEY, Water Supply at—A Letter from Mr. Mallory, Clerk to the Leckhampton Local Board, requesting the Corporation to extend their mains into and up the Old Bath Road at Pilley, as the stream water running alongside the road there was reported by the Medical Officer of Health of Leckhampton to be unfit for drinking purposes, was read. And It was Resolved, That Mr. Mallory be informed that the estimated cost of extending the water main into the district would be £186, and that if the Local Board will guarantee that the water rental to be received shall equal 10 per cent. on the outlay for 3 years, the Corporation will extend the mains as requested.

3—BARRETT'S MILL—A Letter from Mr. B. Combe, offering £20 for the use of the malt house for the coming malting season, was read. And It was Resolved, That the malt house alone be let to him to the 25th March next in its present state, he doing any repairs that may be needed and paying the whole of the rent at Christmas.

4 — APPEALS—Various Appeals were considered and the rates settled and adjusted.

5 — APPLICATIONS and Agreements for supply of Water during the past month were examined and approved.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 24th day of September 1888—Present: The Mayor; Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull; Councillors Cox, Darby, Heath, Shipway and Waghorne (Alderman Simms-Bull in the chair)—

1—TELEPHONE WIRES—A Report from the Superintendent reporting that the Fire Escape would not pass under the telegraph or telephone wires at the following places, viz., Malvern Street, Elm Street, Worcester Street, and at Waterloo Street, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Town Clerk do write to the Owners of the wires on the subject.

2—PETROLEUM LICENSE—Ass application from Fredk. Beddard, of Hermitage House, Bath Road, for renewal of his Petroleum License, and the Surveyor's Report thereon, was read. And It was Resolved, That the License be renewed as from the 6th Sept. inst.

3 — COUNCIL CHAMBER TABLE—The Surveyor laid before the Committee sketch of an alteration of the table in the Council Chamber, and he was instructed to prepare a rough pattern of the circular arrangement of the table at the upper end thereof.

W. SIMMS BULL,

Chairman.

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## **BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 28th day of September, 1888—Present: Alderman Simms Bull; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Lawrence, and Norman (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1 —Swimming Bath—The Report of the Manager of the Waterworks on the working of thin Bath during the past month was read and approved. It was Resolved That the Bath be closed on the 13th Oct. next, notice of such intended closing to be posted in the Bath.

2— Recreation Ground—It was Resolved, That a tablet of grey granite with the following inscription in gold letters be placed in one of the panels on the face of the shelter: " This Recreation Ground was presented to the Corporation of Cheltenham for the use of the inhabitants by James Tynte Agg-Gardner, Esq., the Member for the Borough, in the year 1888.—John Haddon, Mayor."

3—Bye-Laws—A Letter from the Local Government Board, returning the draft of these Bye-laws with certain alterations therein, was read. And It was Resolved That the Bye-laws be made as now settled, and that notice be given of the intention to apply to the Local Government Board for confirmation thereof, and that they be submitted for confirmation accordingly.

4—Cleave Hill Common—A Letter from Col. Whitle, Chairman of the Commoners' Committee, dated 14th Sept., stating that the terms of arrangement stated and discussed at the meeting of this Committee, held on the 16th August last, had been accepted by his Committee, and that a meeting of Commoners had been called to take into consideration what further steps should be adopted.

5--Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed

Diamond Sanitary Laundry Co., Washing Towels ... £6 7 4

H. D. Willis and Co., Coal for Bath ... £4 11 0

T. Voile and Co., ditto ... £1 8 4

Cheltenham Poor Rate on Bath ... £3 8 0

Gas Company, Gas, September Quarter ... £3 15 4

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

## **BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 24th day of September, 1888—Present :—The Mayor; Alderman Parsonage ; and Councillors Cox, Kite, and Heath (Councillor Cox in the chair)—

DESIGNS—The following designs were examined and approved: viz:—Headstones to Elizabeth Goddard, Bessie Thomas, Samuel Partridge, James Hubert Lidderdale, and Eldred and Mary Addison.

GRASS AT CEMETERY—The Borough Surveyor reported that the aftermath had been sold to Mr. Mark Williams for the sum of he to cut and make it.

LAND AT N.W. CORNER OF CEMETERY—The Clerk was instructed to report as to the tenancy and rent of the small quadrant-shaped piece of land at the N.W. corner of the Cemetery, and take steps to recover the rent due, and also, if necessary, give the present occupier Notice to quit, with a view to a proper arrangement being entered into with him for the Tenancy thereof.

ACCOUNT—The following account was examined and allowed, viz.—

W. Gregory for labourers' wages ... £8 2 0

GEO. JAS. COX,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Fri day, the 21st day of September, 1888—Present : The Mayor; Aldermen Parsonage and Welch; and Councillors Lawrence, Neale, and Parsonage (Alderman Captain Welch in the chair)—

Librarian's Report.—The usual monthly report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been made to the Library, viz. :—Mr. J. Chambers, 2 vols. ; Curator of Glasgow University Library, 2 vols., Annual Report from St. Margaret's Parish, Westminster ; Miss Stokes, £10 and 2 maps.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF LIBRARIANS—The Librarian's Report on the chief points of interest in connection with the above meeting, held at Glasgow on the 4th, 5th. and 6th inst., which the Committee had authorised him to attend, was read.

ACCOUNTS—The following accounts were examined and allowed—

Librarian for assistants' wages ... £12 15 0

Ditto expenses of attending Conference of Librarians, at Glasgow ... £5 5 0

Norman, Sawyer, & Co., stationery ... £0 9 3

Ditto, stationery and printing ... £2 16 6

Ditto, binding and numbering ... £18 7 11

J. J. Banks, books ... £2 4 8

A. C. & S. Billings, on account of Library Contract, as  
per Architects' Certificate ... £1000 0 0

Knight and Chatters, to pay salary of Clerk of  
Works, 16 weeks to 1st September ... £1888 2 0

Phoenix Fire Office, Premium on Insurance of Public Library ... £1 0 0

Gas Company—Gas, September quarter ... £1 13 2

G. A. W. WELCH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 27th day of September, 1888—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Parson-age, Ramsay, and Welch ; Councillors Kite and Neale (Alderman Capt. Welch in the chair)—

4—LIBRARY BUILDING—The Committee met and proceeded to view the building, and considered the question of the position of the Librarian's Room, and the Lighting of the Reference Department, and Mr. Knight having estimated the cost of the alteration at from £20 to £25. It was Resolved That the Librarian's Room be removed to the N.E. corner of the space there. It was Resolved, That Mr. Knight make arrangements for erecting the area wall and railings next to St. George's Place forthwith, a sketch of the railing to be submitted to the Committee. And It was further Resolved That the lettering over the entrance doors be [Public] [A.D. 1887] [Library.]

G. A. W. WELCH,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 11th day of Sept., 1888—Present Aldermen Ramsay and Simms Bull; Councillors Darby, Norman and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

2-RAILWAY STATION ACCOMMODATION—The Chairman of the Midland and South-Western Junction Railway, Mr. Houghton Brancker, and three of the Directors, Messrs. Buckingham, Gale and Daniell, and their Engineer, (Mr. Shopland,) attended this meeting of the Committee. The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee a plan sheaving a suggested site for station in Ambrose-street, with loop line therefrom to the Midland Railway at Swindon. And after some consideration, it was Resolved, That the matter be adjourned no as to enable the Company to further consider it at a full meeting, and that in the meantime the Town Clerk do write to the Manager of the Midland Railway, asking for an interview between a deputation from this Committee and his Directors.

J. WAGHORNE, Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Saturday, the 22nd day of September, 1888—Present : Aldermen Parsonage and Sistine Bull and Councillor Norman (Councillor Norman, in the chair)—

RAILWAY STATION ACCOMMODATION The Town Clerk reported that in compliance with the instructions of the Committee, given at the last meeting, he had written to the General Manager of the Midland Railway Company upon the proposed Joint-Station for Cheltenham, and had asked the Directors to receive a deputation from this Committee in order to explain more fully to them the suggested improvements, and a letter from Mr. Noble, dated the 21st inst., stating that he was quite sure his Directors are not prepared to entertain favourably any suggestion for the removal of their present Passenger Station in Cheltenham, owing to the serious expense thereof, but that if the Committee, notwithstanding this fact, still desired it, the Chairman and Deputy-Chairman of the Company would see a deputation from the Committee, was read, And It was Resolved That the

Chairman (Councillor Waghorne), the Town Clerk, and the Borough Surveyor, be requested to see the Directors, on a day to be arranged with Mr. Noble.

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 27th day of September, 1888 (Present: The Mayor ; Aldermen Parsonage, and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Darby, Kite, and Parsonage (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1-DESTRUCTOR—On the recommendation of the Street and Highway Committee, It was Resolved that application be made to the Local Government Board for sanction to a loan not exceeding £8,000 for the purchase of the land and the erection thereon of the Destructor and other works.

2—MR. H. PACKER—Mr. Packer having offered to pay £2 in discharge of the claim in respect of the crossing to his premises in the High Street, It was Resolved That the offer be accepted.

3--COLLECTION OF URBAN RATES—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 27th inst., was read, shewing that the amounts collected to this date on the Borough (Genl. District) Rate was £10,628 14s. 5d., leaving uncollected £1,042 2s. 5½ d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No. 1, £1,753 3s. 4d., uncollected £240 2s. 9d. On the Branch Sewers Rate No. 2, £49 17s. 6½ d., leaving uncollected £2 0s. 0½ d.

4—WATER RATE—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date 31st inst., on the collection of this Rate was read, shewing receipts in Cheltenham to this date of £6733 0s. 10d., leaving outstanding £280 4s. 6d. In Tewkesbury £476 19s., leaving outstanding £15 7s. 7d.

5--ACCOUNTS.—The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts during the past month, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums

#### RECEIPTS. -

Library (Revenue) ...	£7 8 2
Library (Capital) ...	£10 0 0
Public Baths (Revenue) ...	£24 6 3
Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£370 1 10
Burial Board (Revenue) ...	£66 13 11
Branch Sewers ...	£6 0 10
Street Improvements ...	£50 0 0
Water (Revenue) ...	£155 12 1
Ditto (Capital) ...	£38 1 8

#### ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID—

Borough Fund ...	£648 10 10
Public Library (Revenue) ...	£102 6 2
Ditto (Capital) ...	£1032 0 0
Public Baths (Revenue) ...	£33 1 9

Recreation Grounds (Capital) ...	£87 4 9
Ditto (Revenue) ...	£51 2 5
Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£3440 9 10
13urial Board (Revenue) ...	£59 15 0
Branch Sewers ...	£3 1 4
Street Improvements ...	£3 12 5
Water (Revenue) ...	£2080 15 11
Ditto (Capital) ...	£287 2 3

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

### **Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, October 10th, 1888.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the Council, which, in pursuance of the provisions of an Act of Parliament made and :kissed in the Session held in the 35th and 36th years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled " An Act to authorise the application of "the Funds of Municipal Colorations and other governing bodies in "certain cases," will be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipa1 Offices, on Monday, the 15th day of October instant, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of taking into consideration the expediency of promoting in the ensuing Session of Parliament a Bill to enable the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the said Borough to create and issue Consolidated Stock, to acquire and manage the Pittville Estate and Delancey Fever Hospital, to borrow money, to confer further powers on the Corporation in regard to the health, improvement, and Local Government of the Borough, and other purposes, and of authorising the incurring of the expenses of and in relation to such promotion and the payment of such expenses out of such Fund, or Funds, Rate or Rates, and in such proportions as the Council shall determine, and at which Meeting the following business is also proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such meeting.

1. Make Order for Borough Rate.

2. Make Borough (Improvement) Rate of 1s. in the £

Make Special District Rate No. 1 at 1d. in the £

Make Special District Rate No, 2 at 1d. in the £

To approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the following Committees:

THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE THE TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

## **Borough of Cheltenham**

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the meeting of the Council, to 1)c held on Monday, the 15th of October, 1888.

### **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 6th day of September, 1888—Present Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Neale, Norman, Taylor, Parsonage, and Price (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1--TYPHOID FEVER—A Letter from W. H. Gwinnett, Esq., to the Medical Officer of Health, stating that the Trustees of the Delancey Fever Hospital would be prepared to favourably consider an application from the Town Council with reference to the admission into the Hospital of Typhoid cases, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Town Clerk write to the Hon. Sec. of the Delancey Fever Hospital, and ask him if the Delancey Hospital Trustees are prepared to receive patients suffering from Typhoid Fever, and if so on what terms.

2— Houses without a proper supply of Water—A Report from the Surveyor, dated the 5th inst., that the houses therein mentioned, occupied by purveyors of milk, are without a proper supply of water, and that such supply can be obtained from the Corporation mains at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts, was read. And It was Resolved, That Notice be given under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owners, requiring them to obtain such supply and do all such works as may be necessary for that purpose.

3--Inspectorship of Nuisances—A Letter from the Medical Officer of Health recommending, in view of the increasing population of the Borough, and the large number of slaughter houses, ashbins, pig keepers, purveyors of milk, common lodging houses, &c., the appointment of an additional Inspector of Nuisances, was read. And It was Resolved, That Mr. John Hill be appointed temporarily at a salary of £2 a week.

4—WATER SUPPLY—A Letter from the Medical Officer of Health, suggesting the advisability of giving a gratuitous supply of water, by means of stand pipes, in the poorer parts of the town, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Letter be referred to the Water Committee for their consideration.

5—COSSENS—A Letter from Mr. W. T. Cossens, No. 2 Clarence Street, complaining of the ventilation from the water closet on Messrs. Marshall's premises into the shaft into which the window of his larder opens, was read, together with a Report from the Surveyor thereon, from which it appeared that the situation of the larder was an improper one for the purpose.

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

### **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 11th day of October, 1888—Present The Mayor; Aldermen Ramsay ; Councillors Lawrence, Parsonage and Taylor (Alderman Sir A. Ramsay in the chair).—

5—LIBRARY FITTINGS—A Letter from Messrs. Ashbee and Sons, asking to be allowed to withdraw their tender, and a letter from Cavendish House Co., Limited, stating they concluded the contract would be placed in their hands, were read. And It was Resolved, That Messrs. Billings' Tender be accepted,

ALEXR. E. RAMSAY,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 11th day of October, 1888—Present : Aldermen Ramsay and Simms Councillors Darby, Lawrence, Norman and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

1-IMPROVEMENT BILL- It was Resolved That with regard to the Fund or Rates out of which the expenses of promoting this Bill are to be laid, it be referred to the Finance Committee, with the recommendations that they be paid out of and charged on the Borough Fund and Rate, or out of money to be borrowed under the provisions of the Act.

J. WAGHORNE, Chairman.

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 12th day of October, 1888—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Simms Bull and Thoyts ; Councillors Kite and Parsonage (Alderman Simms Bull in the chair )—

Alderman Simms Bull was appointed Chairman at this meeting in the absence of the chairman.

1- --IMPROVEMENT BILL- A resolution on the subject of the mode of payment of the expenses of promoting this Bill, passed by the Town Improvement Committee, at their meeting held on the firth instant, was laid before the meeting. And It was Resolved, That the recommendation of that Committee be endorsed, and the costs and expenses of the promotion of this Bill be paid out of and charged upon the Borough Fund and Borough Rate, or out of moneys to be borrowed under the provisions of the Bill.

W. SIMMS BULL, Chairman.

#### **Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, Nov. 5th, 1888.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Quarterly Meeting of the Council, as suck, and acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and .as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Friday, the 9th day of November instant, at Twelve o'clock at noon, at which Meeting the following business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To elect the Mayor for the ensuing year.
2. To elect Aldermen for the South, Middle, and West Wards.
3. To assign Aldermen to be Returning Officers at Ward Elections.
4. To appoint and fill up vacancies on Committees.
5. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting, and of the Special Meeting held on the 15th October last.
6. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
7. To approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the following Committees :

THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE, THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE, THE WATER COMMITTEE. THE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE, THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE, THE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. THE TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

8. Notices of Motion.

9. To read the following Letters and pass Resolutions thereon if need be : R. Ticehurst re Sewage Farm. Engall, Sanders and Co. re Water supply. Captain Welch and others re Lighting of Sandfield Road, at Arle.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

### **Borough of Cheltenham**

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the meeting of the Council, to be held on Friday, the 9th of November, 1888.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 30th day of October, 1888 — Present : Alderman Simms-Bull ; Councillors Cox, Ferguson, Lawrence, and Waghorne (Alderman Simms-Bull in the chair)—

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The monthly report of the Gas Examiner was read—average illuminating power, 17.09 candles, purity average, 4.95 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

2 —Gas Inspector's Report—The monthly report of the Gas Inspector was read—average hourly consumption of gas 4.255 cubic feet per lamp, per hour.

The book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined, with the result that 30 lamps were found to have been extinguished, and 70 burning dimly during the past month.

A letter from Messrs. Griffiths, clerks to the Gas Company, stating the steps taken by the Company to unstop and rectify the lamps, and that all vigilance and care would be exercised to secure efficiency in the lighting, was read.

Mr. W. E. Williams' letter, on the subject of the testing of the Gas supplied to the public lamps, read at the last meeting, was again adjourned, in order to enable the Gas Examiner to report thereon at the next meeting.

3—Footpaths in Swindon Parade and Vauxhall Place— Specifications from the Surveyor, of date the 30th day of October, of the works required to be done to the above streets were read and approved. And It was Resolved that the necessary Plans, Sections, and Estimates be prepared, and Notice be given under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the Premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said Streets requiring to be severed, levelled, paved, metalled flagged, channelled, or made good ; requiring them to do the specified works within 8 days; and that, if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act.

4-Special Works in Clarence Square, Great Western Road, New Street, Sandford Road, and Road at back of Naunton Crescent—The Surveyor reported that the Special Works ordered to be done in the above roads had been completed in accordance with his Specifications, at a cost of £197 18s. 3d, £53 5s. 4d., £18 10s. 8d, £76 10s. 0d, and £39 17s. 4d, respectively, which sums he had apportioned amongst the respective abutting owners as set forth in his reports. And It was Resolved That Notice of the apportionment be given to the said Owners, and demand made for repayment of the amount due from each.

5--Telephone Exchange—Mr. Owen, the Superintendent of the Western Counties and South Wales Telephone Company (limited), and Mr. Rathbone, the Engineer, attended this Meeting of the Committee, and Mr. Owen having stated that free connections would be given with the Exchange to the General Hospital and the Fire Brigade Station ; that the terms would be, for one year £12, 4 years £11, and 7 years £10 per annum. And It was Resolved That one connection with the Exchange be made from the Municipal Offices for one year, and if at the end of the year the connection be continued for 3 or 6 years, as the case may be, a reduction be accordingly made to the minimum charge in either case for the whole term.

6 —Telephone Line— It was Resolved That the poles be of timber, similar to the poles in the Montpellier Gardens, to be painted, and to be kept properly and sufficiently painted ; subject to an approved agreement being entered into.

7—Hale's Road—A letter from the Clerk to the Charlton Kings Local Board, forwarding copy of a Resolution passed by the Board, in which the Board expressed their opinion that they had no power to depart from the state of things decided upon by the Justices in 1846, and if they had such power they saw no reason to do so, was read, and the further consideration thereof was adjourned.

8--Surface Water in passage leading past Mr. Waite's Shop—This matter was again discussed, and the Highway Inspector's report thereon read, And It was Resolved That the matter be again adjourned for further consideration.

9—Pavement in College Road—A letter from Mr. H. H. Martyn, asking to be allowed to asphalt or only pave the centre of the foot-path was read, And It was Resolved That Mr. Martyn be informed

he is only required to pave the centre of the footpath, and to border and channel the same, and that he be referred to the Committee's previous Resolution on the subject.

10- Steam Roller --It was Resolved that the steam Roller be insured with the National Boiler Insurance Company, Limited, for the sum of £500.

11—Footpath on East side of Ladies' College—A letter from E. W. Brereton, Esq., Secretary to the Ladies' College, stating that the Executive Committee were disappointed by what seemed to them the unsatisfactory manner in which the footway at the East side of the college had been repaired and also at the omission of channelling was read, And It was Resolved That the Highway Inspector be instruct.' no put down an ashpalte channelling along this footway.

12— Buildings in Queens Road : Beamish—These plans were again considered, And It was Resolved That they be approved, subject to the condition that the roadway shown thereon is not used as access to any dwelling house that may be erected on the land at the back,

13—Land in Manchester Street—A letter from Mr. W. A. Norman calling attention to the nuisance caused by the boys congregating on the land at the corner of Manchester Street, opposite St. Matthew's Church, which had been for some time past covered with builders' materials and trusting that something might be done to abate it, also requesting to be informed if the land was for sale, and the price and conditions of purchase, was read, And It was Resolved That the attention of the police be called to the annoyance caused by the boys playing on this land, and that the Town Clerk do write to Mr. Norman as to the price thereof.

14—Posts in Tangent Alley—A letter from C. F. Gale, Esq., objecting on behalf of himself and Mrs. Fallon to the posts which had lately been erected at the Southern end of the back road to 8 and 9 St. James' Square, and a letter from Mrs. Fallon to the same effect were read, And It was Resolved That the posts be removed, but that the parties must understand they can-not be allowed either to obstruct or damage the footpath by using it as a cart road.

15—Trinity lane—A memorial from the Rev. Percival Smith and others, calling attention to the dilapidated state of this roadway was read, And It was Resolved that the Surveyor do bring up a specification of the works required to be done to the road.

16—Highway Inspector's Report—The Highway Inspector reported that the following works had been done in his department during the past month Repaired with broken stone : Russell Place and Russell Street, part of Tewkesbury Road, from junction of coach road to Gloucester Road, portion of Lower High Street, Swindon Road, Promenade, from crossing opposite New Club to crossing Clarence Street (finished), All Saints' Road (proceeding); Repaired with asphalte, footpaths in College Road, Sandford Road (completed), Pittville Parade, " Camden Lodge," Tewkesbury Road, frontage of " Brave Old Oak " public house in Coach Road and Tewkesbury road ; (proceeding,) footpath around St. Luke's Church ; Edging, Flagging, and Crossings Stanhope Street, Lansdown Place, Sherborne Street and Place, College Road, Bayshill, Royal Parade, Berkeley Street and Avenue, Victoria Walk, Montpellier Terrace, and new Curbing in Sandford Road ; Asphalte Crossings : One Crossing laid at the end of Lypiatt Street, junction of Princes Street, and one in Hatherley Street, junction of Princes Street ; Tariff Footpaths : Repairs in Trafalgar Street, Tewkesbury Road, Painswick Lawn, Commercial

Street, Swindon Road, Church Walk, St. Paul's Road, Milsom Street, lane back of Catholic Church, Victoria Walk and Drive.

17—All Saints' Road—It was Resolved That the footpaths at the South end of All Saints' Road be made 8 feet wide, and the carriage road 24 feet wide, the footpaths to be flagged 6 feet wide and gravelled or asphalted the remaining 2 feet according to the plan and report presented by the Highway Inspector.

18—New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted Notices and Plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz. : Mr. Cull for additions to Woodland Villa, Rodney Terrace, Mr. S. E. Wilcox for two houses in Leighton Road, J. T. Agg-Gardner, Esq. for extension of bar at Belle Vue Hotel, Mr. John Powell, jun., for four houses in Leighton Road, Mr. E. Fisher for shop front at 299 High street, Mrs. Meek for stable at back of Victoria Brewery, Hanover Street.

The Surveyor also submitted Notices and Plans from Miss Whitehead for cottages in Swindon Road, which were approved, And It was Resolved That if Miss Whitehead will set back her fence to make a five feet footpath, the Corporation will lay down a footpath of blue Staffordshire chequered bricks.

The Surveyor submitted Notices and Plans from George's, Limited, for a coke cellar in Chester Walk, and from Mr. J. J. Morgan for shed in yard at back of 2, Dunalley Parade, which were adjourned for further consideration.

W. SIMMS BULL,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 20th day of October, 1888—Present :  
Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Neale, Norman, and Taylor (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1—MANURE PIT at the back of 27, Waterloo Street—The Medical Officer of Health having reported the existence of a nuisance injurious to health caused by a Manure Pit in a yard at the back of No. 27, Waterloo Street, It was Resolved, That notice be given to the owner of the property to construct a proper Manure Pit, under the Bye-laws in force in the Borough.

2--WATERCOURSE at back of St. Philip's Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that in consequence of a complaint as to the smell arising from some of the openings into this Watercourse, he made enquiries on the spot, and found that some of the houses in St. Philip's Street drained directly into the Watercourse, and, as Typhoid Fever had occurred in the vicinity, he thought the Surveyor should be instructed to open and examine the drains ; and It was Resolved That, as the houses in question are situated in the Parish of Leckhampton, and the Watercourse at this point forms the boundary between the two Parishes, the attention of the Leckhampton Local Board be called to this infringement of the Public Health Act.

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3-NOTICE TO LAY ON WATER not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of persons who, had neglected to comply with the Notices served upon them to provide a proper Water Supply at their respective properties, and It was Resolved that the parties be informed that unless the Notices be at once complied with steps will be taken, under Sec. 70 of the Public Health Act, to close the Wells.

4—TYPHOID FEVER —The Medical Officer of Health submitted two Resolutions which had been passed by a meeting of Medical men convened by him on the 12th inst., with reference to the present outbreak of Typhoid Fever, in which the Town Council were strongly urged to at once afford a supply of Corporation Water to the houses in the poorer pates of the town, by public stand-pipes if necessary. And It was Resolved That, pending the introduction of the Corporation Water Supply into the houses that have not any proper Water Supply, the attention of the Water Committee be again called to the necessity of fixing stand pipes for affording a temporary supply of Water in those parts of the Town whiffs the cases of Enteric Fever have been most numerous.

5-1, to 9, SWINDON PARADE—The Borough Surveyor presented a Report as to the Water Closet and Ash-pit accommodation required at these houses, and It was Resolved That Notice be given to the Owners, under Sec. 36 of the VW& Health Act, 1875, to provide, within a time to be specified in such Notice, such Water Closets and Ash-pits as may be required, in accordance with the Specification of the Surveyor to be annexed such Notice.

6—TEMPORARY ASSISTOT INSPECTOR OF NUISANCES — It was Resolved That Mr. Wm. Henry Lewis, of Elm View Cottages, Swindon Road, a retired sergeant of the Royal Engineers, be appointed to act as temporary Assistant to the Inspector of Nuisances, at a salary of 35s. per week, the engagement to be terminated by a month's notice given on either side.

6-- ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and allowed, viz. :—

G. C. Holtam, Fly Hire ... 2 10 6

W. J. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance ... £0 5 0

Vicar of Elmstone Hardwick, Tithe on Land ... £3 5 8

Chas. Corbett, Expenses of Fire Brigade attending fire at Barn Farm ... £7 2 6

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

#### **WATER COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 31st day of October, 1888—Present : Alderman Thoyts and Councillors Darby, Ferguson, Pippett, Price, and Taylor, (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

In the absence of the chairman Councillor Darby was appointed chairman at this meeting.

1—Tile Manager's Monthly Report on the state of the Works and other matters was read.

2-- Water Supply by Stand Pipes—The Resolution on this subject passed by the Public Health Committee on the 20th inst. was laid before this Committee. And, It was Resolved, That the Manager in conjunction with the Medical Officer of Health, inspect the localities where typhoid fever

has been most prevalent, and report as early as possible, as to the positions in which stand pipes could be temporarily erected with advantage.

3-- Appeals—Various appeals were considered and the rates settled and adjusted.

4-APPLICATIONS and Agreements for supply of Water during the past month were examined and approved.

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 30th day of October 1888—Present: Alderman Simms-Ball; Councillors Cox, Taylor, and Waghorne (Alderman Simms-Bull in the chair)—

1—Fire Brigade—A report from the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade reporting the occurrence of 2 fires during the month; one on the 26th Sept., at Nos. 5 & 6 Clarence street, occupied by Messrs. C. Nicholas & Co., expenses amounting to £5 10s. 6d., paid by the Insurance Companies; the other on the 2nd October, at workshops in North Place, occupied by Messrs. Boucher and Such. Expenses £2 14s., paid by the Insurance Company. The Superintendent reported that he had received £2 7s. 6d. expenses at fire at No. 6, Bayshill Parade, reported in August last, and had paid the same into the Borough Treasurer's account.

2-GREEN-An application from Mr. Chas. Green, of St. Mark's, for a Hackney Carriage License, was read. And It was Resolved, That the same be not granted.

3—PAUL, C.—An application from Mr. G. Paul, for a Transfer of No. 104 Pony Carriage License to No. 75 full-licensed carriage, with a head for summer or winter, was read. And It was Resolved, That on the existing license being given up to be cancelled, a full license be granted for the carriage in question.

W. SIMMS BULL, Chairman.

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#### **BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 29th day of October, 1888—Present : Councillors Ferguson, Lawrence, Norman, Taylor, and Waghorne, (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1—Swimming Bath—The Report of the Manager of the Waterworks on the working of this Bath during the past season was read.

2-Recreation Ground—A Letter from the caretaker requesting to be supplied with a uniform overcoat for the winter was read. And, It was Resolved, That an overcoat be provided, and that it be left to the Chairman and Town Clerk to order it. The Surveyor laid before the Committee the Plan and Specification of the Shelter and Tenders for the erection of the same. And, It was Resolved, That the same be approved, and that the tender of Mr. W. C. Channon for the same at £195 be accepted.

3—ACCOUNTS—The following accounts were examined and allowed, viz.—

H. D. Willis & Co., Coal	£6 16 6
John Willis & Co., ditto	£3 5 10
Thos. Steel, Water Boots	£6 12 0
Horace Edwards, Printing	£3 19 6
Thornton & Co., Rubber Soled Boots	£0 11 0
Diamond Sanitary Laundry Company, Washing Towels	£0 8 5
C. H. Channon, Altering Mats at Diving Stage	£0 5 11
Clare & Son, Lawn Grass Seeds	£0 5 0
W. McLandsborough, Labourer's Wages, &c.	£3 3 5
B. W. Pearce & Sons, Timber	£5 3 6
J. M. Butt & Co., Iron Seat Legs	£14 8 0
J. Humphris, Making, Painting, and Varnishing Seats	£6 10 0
H. D. Brown, ()fa Contract for Lodge	£51 12 0

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 29th day of October, 1888—Present :—The Mayor; Councillors Cox, and Price (Councillor Cox in the chair)—

1—Designs—The following designs were examined and approved, viz :—Headstones to John Brooksmith, Thos, Jesson, F. J. Bayley, Jane Parry, Thomas Teakle, Emma Wallace, Christina Watts, and James Phipps ; Tombs to Charles W. Minchiner, Eldred Addison, and Elizabeth Grace Buchanan.

A Letter from Mrs. A. E. Burdon requesting to be allowed to put a memorial cross over the grave of her daughter, Aileen Wharton Burdon, with a kerbing 6ft. 6in. by 3ft., was read. And, It was Resolved, That Mrs. Burdon be informed that it is against the rules to allow the kerbing round a vault space to be of a less size than 9ft. by 4ft., and that the Committee cannot therefore sanction the laying of the kerbing she wishes to have put down.

2—Roads in Cemetery—The Superintendent reported that the roads in some parts of the Cemetery were very much worn and in need of repair. And, It was Resolved, That the Highway Inspector be requested to examine the roads, and report at the next meeting of the Committee, as to what repairs they require.

3—Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed :

W. Gregory, Labourer's Wages	£3 12 0
R. E. & C. Marshall, Scythe Blades	£0 7 9

GEO. JAS. COX, Chairman.

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## **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held On Friday, the 11th day of October, 1888--Present: Aldermen Ramsay, and Welch; Councillors Lawrence, Neale, Parsonage, and Taylor (Alderman Captain Welch in the chair) —

1—Librarian's Report—The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts of books had been made to the Library :—Committee of Cobden Club, 1 vol. ; Mr. Henry Freeman, 1 vol. ; Emigrants Information Office, 1 pamphlet ; Mr. W. F. Hart, 1 pamphlet ; Miss S. A. Watson, 1 vol. ; Mr. G. Smith, 1 vol. ; Mr. J. Solomon, 25 vols. ; British Association Meeting, Bath, 1 vol. ; Mr. J. T. Norman, 1 vol ; Dr. Lyall, R.N., 42 vols. ; Mr. S. H. Preston, 1 vol. ; Col. C. W. Grant, 1 pamphlet ; Dr. Davis, 15 vols. Annual Reports from the Libraries at Bradford, Cambridge, Leeds, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Tonbridge, and Wimbledon.

2--Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee's Report recommending that £100 be expended on books, and stating that they had visited the Library building, and had an interview with the Architect to urge him to push on the work with all possible speed, was read. And, It was Resolved, That the Committee are of opinion that sufficient progress is not being made with the building and heating apparatus, and that a sufficient number of men are not being employed, and that the contractors be given to understand that if the works are not completed by the times named in the respective contracts, the penalties for delay will be strictly enforced.

3---School of Science—A long communication from Thos. Whittard, Esq., the Secretary of the School of Science, upon the subject of the Joint Appeal was read and considered. And further consideration thereof was adjourned.

4—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

W. Jones, for Assistants Wages to 1st December    £10 11 6

G. P. Best, Books    £1 15 6

J. W. Pink, Books    £1 10 2

T. W. Stephens, Framing 5 Charts    £1 2 6

G. A. W. WELCH, Chairman.

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 31st day of October, 1888 (Present: The Mayor ; Aldermen Simms-Bull and Thoyts ; Councillors Darby, and Parsonage (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1 —COLLECTION OF URBAN RATES—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 31st inst., on these Rates was read.

2—WATER RATE—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date 31st inst., on the collection of this Rate was read, sheaving receipts in Cheltenham to this date of £146 19s. 11d., leaving outstanding £6531 18s. 11d. In Tewkesbury £50 leaving outstanding £370 7s. 6d.

3--ACCOUNTS.—The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts during the past month, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums :

RECEIPTS.—

Borough Fund ... £1 16 0  
Library (Revenue) ... £1 14 0  
Public Baths (Revenue) ... £5 11 0  
Urban Authority (Revenue) ... £837 8 7  
Burial Board (Revenue) ... £38 13 5  
Water (Revenue) ... £232 17 5  
Ditto (Capital) ... £0 17 0

ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID—

Borough Fund ... £23 1 10  
Public Library (Revenue) ...£14 19 8  
Ditto (Capital) ... £0 8 6  
Public Baths (Revenue) ... £30 7 7  
Recreation Grounds (Capital) ... £77 13 6  
Urban Authority (Revenue) ... £2318 11 3  
Burial Board (Revenue) ... £3 19 9  
Branch Sewers ... £29 14 10  
Street Improvements ... £37 19 11  
Water (Revenue) ... £2269 15 2  
Ditto (Capital) ... £546 5 3

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

**Borough of Cheltenham**

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, Nov. 28th, 1888.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Monthly Meeting of the Council, as such, and acting as Urban Sanitary Authority and as a Burial Board, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Holiday, the 3rd day of December next, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, 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. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the following Committees:

THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. THE WATER COMMITTEE. THE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. THE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. THE TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

4. Councillor Norman to move : That the Resolutions of the Street and Highway Committee, of date the 27th March, and 1st May, 1888, with reference to the footpath in Hale's Road, from Sydenham Road South to Kings Road, and which provide for the asphaltting of that portion between the said Sydenham Road South and Sydenham Road North at the cost of the ratepayers, and for the paving, channelling, and bordering of the remainder at the cost of the abutting owners, be rescinded, with a view to carrying out the asphaltting of the whole length of footway, either at the cost of the ratepayers or of the abutting owners, as the Town Council may determine.

5. Councillor Pippett to call attention to the fact of a certain salaried officer of the Council having taken a prominent part in electioneering matters, and to move a Resolution on the subject.

6. Notices of Motion.

9. To read the following Letters, &c., and pass Resolutions thereon if need be: Engall, Sanders and Co. re Chester Walk Improvement. Furber and Son and others re crossing between Queen's Circus and Clarence House. E. T. Bryant re St. George's Square. John Goodwin re Hunting fares on Great Western Railway. T. F. McGuire, Thomas, Bros., and W. H. Horsley re Damage to Thomas's shop front, Bath Road. Mrs. Clark, acknowledgement of letter of condolence. W. Witchell re Roads on Libertus Estate, St. Marks.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

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

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 3rd of December, 1888.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 27th day of November, 1888—Present : Aldermen Parsonage and Simms-Bull; Councillors Cox, Darby, and Pippett (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)

1—Chairman—Alderman Parsonage was appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

2—Gas Examiner's Report—The monthly report of the Gas Examiner was read Average illuminating power, 16.80 candles, purity average, 12.02 grains per 100 cubic feet.

3—Gas Inspector's Report—The monthly report of the Gas Inspector was read Average hourly consumption of gas 4.255 cubic feet per lamp, per hour.

4—Mr. W. E. Williams's Letter—A report from the Gas Inspector, dealing with the several points raised in Mr. Williams' letter, was read, And It was Resolved, That a copy thereof be sent to Mr. Williams as a reply to his letter.

5—Lamp Book—The Lamp book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined, and it was found that during the month 45 lamps had been extinguished, and 28 burning dimly.

6—Footpaths in St. George's Road—[Adjourned by the Committee]

7—Special Works in Hermitage Street, Hales Road, and Old Bath Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Special Works ordered to be done in the above roads had been completed to his satisfaction at the cost of £30 5s 2d; £86 10s 2d; £114 17s 10d respectively, which sums he had apportioned amongst the respective abutting owners, as set forth in his Reports. And It was Resolved, That Notice of Apportionment be given to the respective Owners and Demand made for the repayment of the amounts due from each.

8—Surface Water in Passage near Mr. Waite's Shop—This matter was again considered. And It was Resolved, That the Highway Inspector do put in a centre Iron Gutter connected with the channelling in the High Street, and relay the pavement with a proper fall to the gutter.

9—Road in front of General Hospital—A Letter from Lieut.-Col. Croker King, the Hon. Sec. to the General Hospital, asking whether the Committee would permit the road in front of the Hospital to be re-made by their employees, the Hospital Authorities paying the actual expenses incurred, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Committee regret they are unable to recommend the request to be complied with.

10--Telephone Line—The Surveyor submitted models of Poles proposed to be used by the Telephone Co. And It was Resolved, That the height thereof be forty feet where the wires cross over roads, and at least 30 feet in other places, no pickled poles to be used nearer to the town than Rockview, on the Gloucester Road, the other poles to be painted and kept properly painted.

11—Lighting of Sandfield Road at Arle—A Memorial from Capt. Welch, R.N., and others, praying the Corporation to supply this Road with proper lamps, was read. And It was Resolved, That as there is no gas main in the road, the application cannot now be entertained.

12—Trees and Footpath in Christ Church Road—A memorial from Mr. Henry Hodgkins and others calling attention to the unpaved portion of the footpath on the north-west side of this road, and to the overgrown and neglected state of the trees on both sides of the road, was read, And It was Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a specification, under Sec. 44 of the Improvement Act, of the repairs required to the footpath so far as the road is built upon, and also opposite land added to the curtilage of the houses built.

13—All Saints' Road—A memorial from Mr. J. H. Amery and others objecting to the planting of trees in Cotswold Terrace and Fair-view Place, in the above road, was read, And It was Resolved, That the question of planting be adjourned till next season.

s3—Footpath on west side of Montpellier Gardens—A memorial from Messrs. H. and R. J. Webb and others calling attention to the bad state of this footpath, and respectfully requesting the Corporation

to have it at once repaired, was read, And It was Resolved, That the footpath be repaired with a coating of blue gravel for the present, and that in the Spring the Committee will take into consideration the question of asphaltting it.

15—Belmont Terrace Road—It was Resolved, That the Surveyor bring up a specification for the repair of this road.

16—Highway Inspector's Report—The Highway Inspector reported that the following works had been done in his department during the past month:—Repaired with Clee Hill stone: Part of Winchcomb Street, Suffolk Lawn, Suffolk Road from Park Place to Bath Road, and St. Luke's Road. Repaired with Wickwar stone: All Saints' Road (finished), Lypiatt Terrace, Andover Place, Gloucester Road, and St. Luke's Place. Repaired with Asphalte (footpaths): Tewkesbury Road (finished), around St. Luke's Church, and New Club, Imperial Square. Special: Over Water-meter House, London Road. Edging, Flagging, and Crossings: Sandford Road (completed), Suffolk Square, Douro Road and Villas, Mountpleasant, Queen's Parade, Waterloo Street (finished), St. George's Road, Oxford Place, Winchcomb Street, and Marshall's Lane (back of stables). Tariffing: Albion Street, Montpellier Terrace, Bath Road (near College), Tangent Alley (finished), Thirlestaine Road, Sandford Road, and Sidney Alley. Asphalte Crossings: All Saints Road (one).

Ashes: Loads collected, 1489.

He also suggested the provision of a safe for his clerk's office, for the keeping of the books and money in, and the purchase of two Snow Ploughs, And It was Resolved, that one Snow Plough be obtained, and that it be referred to a Sub-Committee, consisting of the Mayor, Alderman Simms-Bull, and Councillors Darby and Lawrence. To order a safe for the clerk's office at the Central Depot and to consider the question of the employment of the aged men.

17—Shed for Steam Roller—The Highway Inspector submitted Tenders from several firms for the erection of a shed for the steam roller, which were referred for consideration to the Special Sub-Committee, appointed in the preceding resolution.

18—New Buildings—The Surveyor laid before the Committee Notices and Plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect New Buildings, all of which were approved, viz., Mr. C. King, for house adjoining Battledown Inn ; Mr. J. Clark, for converting existing building into cottage at back 30 Portland Square ; Col. W. A. Hill, for open sheds in garden in Christ Church Road ; R. Cresswell, Esq., for additions to No. 3, Lansdown Place ; Mr. Fredk. Burnett, for workshop at back of No. 8, Hatherley Street ; Mr. Edwin Smith for baker's oven adjoining Queensland, Queen's Road ; Mr. Thomas Bowles for addition to workshop at back of No. 7, Hatherley Street ; Mr. Cornelius Smith for villa in Naunton Park Terrace.

The Surveyor also submitted Notices and Plans from Mr. J. Morgan for a shed in yard at back of 2, Dunalley Parade ; from Mr. H. H. Martyn for roofing a stable yard at Sunningend, College Road ; and from George's Limited for a coke cellar in Chester Walk, all of which were disapproved.

19- Colonnade Improvement- The Drafts of the agreements with Messrs, Cockrell & others and Messrs, Taylor & Dobell & others, also with Mr. George for purchase of his premises and with Messrs, Taylor & Dobell & others for purchase by them in certain events of the Corpus Christi

College Property were laid before the Committee, And it was Resolved, That the same be approved & executed.[No 19 Hand Written]

Geo. Parsonage, Chairman

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 17th day of November, 1888—Present The Mayor; Councillors Darby, King, Norman, Neale, Parsonage, and Price (Councillor Darby in the chair)-

1—Councillor Darby was appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

2—Typhoid Fever—A deputation from the Quarterly Board of the General Hospital consisting of Gen. Muspratt-Williams, Dr. Cooke, Dr. Day, Lieut.-Col. Pierson, and Lieut.-Col. Croker-King (the Hon. Treasurer of the Hospital) attended this meeting of this Committee. The deputation suggested that No.5 Ward at the Hospital, which had been opened for males suffering from Typhoid fever, should be closed until such time as the Ward at the Delancey Hospital should be full and should then be opened for the reception of female patients ; which would find accommodation at the Delancey Hospital for 54 male patients, and at the General Hospital for 11 females (or children), 3 males and 2 children. The subject was considered by the Committee, And It was Resolved That the suggestions of the deputation be acted on, and that the Committee will recommend the Council to pay per patient the same fees that the Corporation pay to the Delancey Hospital. These terms to apply to the patients treated and admitted since the payment last made, and to future patients sent in by, or treated with, the sanction of the Medical Officer of Health.

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3-Hayden Sewage Farm—A letter from Mr. Ticehurst, Clerk to the Rural Sanitary Authority, complaining of the fouling of the Stream in the Golden Valley by the sewage matter from this Farm, was read. The Surveyor and the Medical Officer of Health reported that they had proposed to meet the Medical Officer of Health of the Rural Sanitary Authority on the spot, but had been unable to make an appointment with hint convenient for all parties ; but that they had inspected the locality of the nuisance complained of, and had found no cause for complaint.

4-Barn Farm --A letter from Mr. Thomas Holland, complaining of the silting up of the drains on the farm of his tenant Mr. Banford by the silting up of the watercourse below Knightsbridge in consequence of the operations on this farm, was read, And the Surveyor was directed to report thereon.

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 28th day of November, 1888—Present Alderman Parsonage; Councillors Darby, Ferguson, King, Neale, Norman, Parsonage, and Price (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

5—Dairies and Cowsheds Order—Applications from E. Day, of 1, Hinckley Cottages, New Street ; A. Ballenger, of 4, Suffolk Road, W. W. Webley, of 55, St. Paul's Street North, to be registered as

purveyors of milk, and from R. T. Smith, of Benhall Farm, to be registered as a cowkeeper and purveyor of milk, were read, And It was Resolved, That the applicants be registered.

6-Houses without Proper Water Supply—A report from the Medical Officer of Health, stating that the owners of No. 1, York Street, and No. 254, High Street, had failed to comply with the Notices served upon them under Section 62 and 70 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to lay on Corporation water at those premises was read, And It was Resolved, That application be made to the Justices for an order to close the wells.

A report from the Surveyor of date the 28th instant, that the houses therein mentioned were without a proper supply of water, and that such supply can be obtained from the Corporation mains at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts, was read, And It was Resolved, That notice be given under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners requiring them to obtain such supply, and do all such works as may be necessary for that purpose.

7--Notices to lay on Water not Complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of persons who had neglected to comply with the Notices served upon them under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, to provide a proper water supply at their respective properties, And It was Resolved, That the parties be informed that unless the notices be at once complied with steps will be forthwith taken under Sec. 70 of the Public Health Act to close the wells.

The Medical Officer of Health also submitted a list of Notices under Sec. 70 of the Public Health Act which had not been complied with, And It was Resolved, That the same do stand over for the present.

8—Typhoid Fever—A letter from the Medical Officer of Health suggesting that in carrying out the arrangement come to between this Committee and the Governors of the General Hospital for the admission and treatment of Typhoid Fever cases, it would be advisable to adopt the same rule as is observed in the cases of the Delancey Hospital patients, namely, that they should have an order of admission from the Medical Officer of Health, the order being in cases of emergency filled up subsequently, was read, And It was Resolved, That a form of admission be printed as suggested by Dr. Roch, with a counterfoil to be retained by the Medical Officer of Health. An account from the General Hospital for the treatment of Typhoid Cases, at the rate arranged to be paid by this Committee, amounting to £237 12s. 0d., was submitted for payment, and It was Resolved, That the amount be paid, less the sum of £10 10s. 0d. for treatment of Annie Gibbs, of St. Mary's Hall, which the Committee consider should be paid by the Governing Body of that institution.

9--Minnow Ditch—A letter from the Clerk to the Leckhampton Local Board, stating that the Town Clerk's letter on this subject had been considered by his Board, who were willing to join the Town Council in the expense of opening up the culvert so far as it forms the boundary between the two districts, and making a thorough inspection so as to ascertain who are the offending parties ; but they were not prepared to admit that the watercourse is being fouled in any way from their District, and, therefore, the question of the cost of cleansing or carrying out any other necessary works must be left for future determination, and also a report from the Medical Officer of Health as to the result of an examination he and the Borough Surveyor had made of the watercourse, in conjunction with the Medical Officer of Health for Leckhampton on the 1st instant were read, And It was Resolved, That the proposal of the Leckhampton Local Board be agreed to.

10—Sewage Farms—The Chairman reported that the Committee had visited the Sewage Farms on Wednesday last, and with reference to the complaint from the Rural Sanitary Authority of the fouling of the Hatherley brook in the Golden Valley, and the complaint of Mr. Mcllquham to the Medical Officer of Health, they had found no foundation for such complaints. The Chair-man reported that the Committee were of opinion that the trees on the Sewage Farms required thinning out, And It was Resolved, That a Sub-Committee, consisting of the Chairman, and Councillors King and Parsonage be appointed to assist the Surveyor in marking the trees to be felled, and make the necessary arrangements for selling the timber.

11 —Hayden Knoll—It was Resolved, That this Farm, including the house and farm buildings (but excluding the old farmhouse and garden, detached orchard, and four cottages in the Golden Valley), be offered to Mr. Brittlebank at the yearly rent of £250 on a lease for seven years, determinable by either party at the end of three or five years.

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12-Accounts-The following Accounts were examined and allowed, viz. :

Sanitas Company, for Disinfectants ...	£5 0 0
Parker, Lester, and Co., ditto ...	£2 17 0
E. McDonald, Chemicals ...	£5 04 9
J. II. Bennett, Births and Death's Returns ...	£1 16 8
W. II. Lewis, Six week's Wages, to 1st December ...	£10 10 0
H. Edwards, Stationery ...	£0 9 0
Delancey Hospital Trustees, Half-year's Rent of Cottage occupied by Ambulance Driver ...	£6 0 0
Water Rate on Cattle Troughs, &c ...	£6 6 0

WATER COMMITTEE.

J. T. DARBY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 28th day of November, 1888—Present : The Mayor, Alderman Parsonage, Councillors Darby, Ferguson, King, Pippett, Price, and Waghorne, (Alderman Parsonage in the chair)—

1—Chairman—Mr. Alderman Parsonage was reappointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2- Manager's Report —The Manager's monthly report on the Works and other matters was read and approved.

3—Dowdeswell Works—It was Resolved That a Slab, with an appropriate inscription thereon, commemorative of the turning of the first sod and the opening of these works, be affixed on one of the walls of the lodge, and that the Manager do obtain designs and tenders for the same.

4—Water Supply by Stand-pipes—A report from the Manager, and a report from the Medical Officer of Health on this subject were read, and the further consideration thereof adjourned to a Special Meeting of the Committee. A letter from the Secretary of the Cheltenham Temperance Union urging the Corporation to provide a Water Supply in the poorer parts of the town, free of cost, was read, and also referred to the Special Meeting of the Committee.

5—Water Tower at Tewkesbury—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee Mr. F. J. Brown's account of charges as solicitor to Mr. Grove, in the matter of the Conveyance to the Corporation of the land for the site of the Water Tower, amounting to £23 9s. Od., and an account of £5 5s. Od. from Mr. W. H. Gray for his services in the same matter, And the same were ordered to be paid.

6—Messrs. Engall, Sanders, and Co.—A letter from Messrs. Engall, Sanders, and Co., complaining of the great inconvenience and expense caused to owners of property through the refusal of the Water Department to supply the Corporation water to houses that have outdoor cisterns was read, And It was Resolved, That the letter be considered at the Special Meeting of the Committee to be called for considering the question of Water Supply by stand pipes.

7—Victoria Home for Nurses—A letter from T. Nelson Foster, Esq., respectfully requesting that the Water Rate on this property might be abated was read, And It was Resolved, That the rate in question be allowed to the Home.

8—Appeals—Various appeals were considered and the rates settled and adjusted.

9 —APPLICATIONS and Agreements for the supply of Water for the past month were examined and approved.

GEO. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 23rd day of November 1888—Present: The Mayor ; Aldermen Griffiths and Simms-Bull ; Councillors Connor, Hands, Skillicorne, and Woodard (Alderman Simms-Bull in the chair)—

1—Alderman Simms-Bull was re-appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2-FIRE BRIGADE—A Report from the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, reporting the occurrence of two Fires during the month one on the 8th inst., at Brockhampton Farm, Bishop's Cleeve, occupied by Mr. Geo. Piff, expenses amounting to £5 13/6 sent in to Mr. Piff ; the other on the 21st inst., at 19, Imperial Square, occupied by Mr. Gowanlock, expenses amounting to £2 18/6, sent in to the Union Fire Office.

3-HACKNEY CARRIAGE LICENSES—An Application from Mr. Edwd. Garner for a Fly License, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Committee cannot at present grant him a License.

4--CORPORATION INSIGNIA—A Letter from Mr. W. H. St. John Hope, asking to be furnished with a description of the Corporation Insignia of this Borough, with a photograph of the Mace, Chain, and Loving Cup, in order that the same may be inserted in the work, entitled " The Corporate Plate and Insignia of the Cities and Towns of England and Wales," which he is editing and completing, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Town Clerk do draw up and send Mr. St. John Hope a Description of the Corporation Insignia, with a Photograph, as requested by his letter.

5- COUNCIL CHAMBER—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Landlords of the Premises had repaired the roofs, &c., according to a Specification drawn up by him, and carried out under his superintendence, and that the whole was now in good order.

6-- TELEPHONE—An application from the Telephone Co. for permission to erect an iron or wooden standard on the roof of the Municipal Offices, for the purpose of carrying their telephone wires, was read. And It was Resolved, That the form of consent, as altered by the Town Clerk, be approved and signed.

W. SIMMS BULL, Chairman.

#### **BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 12th day of November, 1888—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Simms Bull ; Councillors Ferguson, King, Lawrence, Norman, and Waghorne, (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

Councillor Lawrence was appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

1—THE SHELTER—The Surveyor laid before the Committee the Plan of the Shelter, shewing an internal staircase to the roof in one of the wings; and the same was approved ; and he was directed to insert glazed lights in the heads of the panels.

The Committee proceeded to view the ground to fix the position of the Shelter, which was done.

The Surveyor was directed to erect Three Goals for Football.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 23rd day of November, 1888—Present: The Mayor, Councillors Darby, Ferguson, King, Lawrence, Norman, and Waghorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair-

2-SWIMMING BATH—The Manager laid before the Committee samples of Bathing Drawers and Towels, and he was directed to procure Samples and Tenders from local Tradesmen.

3—The Manager's Monthly Report on the working of the Bath was read and approved.

4—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed:—

E. Hart, Salary to 2nd December ... £5 0 0

W. McLandsborough, Labourers' Wages ... £1 0 3

G. F. Poole, Printing ... £0 2 6

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Saturday, the 24th day of November, 1888—Present:—  
Councillors Cox, Haddon, King, and Price (Councillor Cox in the chair )—

1—Chairman—Councillor Cox was appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—A report from the Superintendent reporting the necessity for more grave shields, two new ladders, a new bell-rope, and the desirability of fixing wire netting at the openings in the bell-loft to prevent the ingress of birds, was read, And It was Re-solved That the Surveyor be instructed to procure and do the matters and things recommended by the Superintendent.

3—Roads in the Cemetery—A report from the Highway Inspector on the state of the roads in the Cemetery, and estimating that an outlay of £80 was necessary, was read, And It was Resolved, That Mr. McGuire be requested to have the work done as recommended by him, and that a separate account be kept, and the amount debited to the Cemetery Account and credited to the Highway Account.

4—Designs—The following designs were examined and approved, viz. : Headstones to Henry Hewer, George D. Pakenham, Edward Taylor, John Louis Ballig, and William Burrows, and tombs to Louisa Workman, and H. B. Henderson.

5—ACCOUNT—The following account was examined and ordered to be paid, viz.—

W. Gregory, Labourers' wages ... £7 7 0

GEO. JAS. COX,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 26th day of November, 1888—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Ramsay and Welch; Councillors Haddon, Kite, Parsonage, Neale, and Woodard (Alderman Captain Welch in the chair)—

1—Alderman Welch was appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

2—Librarian's Report—The usual monthly report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts of books had been made to the Library during the past month, viz. :—Trustees of British Museum, 1 vol.; University Correspondence College Cambridge, 1 vol. ; Registrar of University

College of Wales, 1 vol. ; J. Paterson, Esq. M.A. 4 vols. ; Offices of Australian Irrigation Colonies, 1 vol.; Annual Reports from Libraries at Bolton, Cardiff, Derby, Leamington, St. Helens, Sheffield, Swansea, South Shields, Welshpool, and Wolverhampton.

3—School of Science—Mr. Whittards letter on the subject of the joint appeal was again considered, and adjourned till next month.

4—Library, &c., Building—Mr. Knight attended and laid before the Committee a Plan and Sketch of the Railings and Plinth he proposed to be put round the Library buildings, and the further consideration of the matter was adjourned.

5—Annual Report—The Draft of this Report was laid before the meeting and approved, and It was Resolved, That 500 copies be printed.

6--ACCOUNTS—The following Accounts were examined and allowed, viz.:—

W. Jones, Assistants' Wages to Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> ... £11 3 0  
Ditto, petty cash ... £5 0 0  
James Webb, Books ... £6 7 10  
J. W. Pink, ditto ... £4 17 0  
Wm. Norton, ditto ... £4 6 4  
T. Thorp, ditto ... £2 6 6  
Wm. Glaisher, ditto ... £2 1 5  
Hy. Sothern & Co. ... £1 2 6  
T. Miles & Co., ditto ... £1 2 0  
James Miles, ditto ... £0 11 3  
Wm. Scammell, Money Box for Subscriptions ... £0 17 6  
Borough Rate on 1, Liverpool Place ... £1 14 0  
Sewers Rate, ditto ... £0 2 10  
Water Rate, ditto ... £1 15 0  
W. H. Knight, for Salary of Clerk of Works to Oct. 27th, 1888 ... £16 0 0

G. A. W. WELCH,

Chairman.

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

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday the 27th day of November 1888—Present  
Alderman: Simms Bull; Councillors Darby, King, Lawrence, Parsonage, Pippett, Skillicorne, Waghorne, Woodward, and Norman— (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

1—Improvement Bill—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee print of this Bill (prints of which had been previously sent to each Member of the Committee). Several of the Clauses were gone through, and settled or altered, and the meeting adjourned until 7 p.m.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

At an adjourned Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday the 27th day of November, 1888.— Present Councillors King, Lawrence, Norman, Parsonage, Pippett, Skillicorne, and Waghorne (Councillor Waghorne in the chair)—

2 —Improvement Bill—The Committee met at 7 p.m. and proceeded with the settlement of the clauses.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday the 28th day of November, 1888—Present Alderman Ramsay; Councillors Cox, King, Waghorne, Skillicorne, Woodard, Parsonage, Pippett, and Lawrence (Councillor Waghorne in the Chair)—

3—Improvement Bill—The Committee met and proceeded with the Settlement of the remaining Clauses of this Bill, and the Town Clerk was instructed to confer with Counsel on the alterations and suggested additional Clauses,

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 29th day of November, 1888 (Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Parsonage ; Councillors Darby, Haddon, Kite, and Parsonage (Councillor Darby in the chair)—

1,-.CHAIRMAN —Councillor Darby was reappointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

2--VICTORIA HOME FOR NURSES—A Letter from T. N. Foster, Esq., requesting the remission of the Borough Rate in respect of the above Home, on the ground of its being a Charitable Institution, was read. And It was Resolved, That the Rate be remitted.

3—COLLECTION OF RUES—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 29th inst., on these Rates was read, shewing that the amount collected to this date on the Borough (General District) Rate was £2464, leaving outstanding £9098 13/8 ¼ On the Branch Sewers Rate £106, leaving outstanding £566 17/3 ½ . On St. Mark's Branch Rate £1 10/4, leaving out-standing £15 12/7 ¾

4 —WATER RATE—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date 1st inst., on the collection of this Rate was read, shewing receipts in Cheltenham to this date of £1854 11s. 11d., leaving outstanding £4877 6s. 7d. In Tewkesbury £167 10s., leaving outstanding £255 11s.

5—BOROUGH RATE—A Letter from Mr. M. B. Ricketts, the Assistant Overseer, stating that the Overseers had received a protest from Gen. Babbage against their paying this Rate out of the Poor

Rate, that they had instructed their solicitor to take Counsel's opinion on the matter, and they therefore wished to defer payment of the first instalment, payable on the 1st prox., was read.

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6—ACCOUNTS.—The Borough Accountant laid before the Committee the Account of Receipts during the past month, and of the Accounts and amounts to be paid, amounting to the following sums :

RECEIPTS.—	Library (Revenue) ...	£17 7 3
	Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£2541 0 3
	Burial Board (Revenue) ...	£71 7 6
	Water (Revenue) ...	£1851 11 3
	Ditto (Capital) ...	£16 5 10
	Branch Sewers ...	£107 10 4
ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID—		
	Borough Fund ...	£4152 11 9
	Public Library (Revenue) ...	£43 7 2
	Ditto (Capital) ...	£16 0 0
	Public Baths (Revenue) ...	£6 2 9
	Urban Authority (Revenue) ...	£1851 11 2
	Burial Board (Revenue) ...	£7 7 0
	Branch Sewers ...	£394 4 5
	Street Improvements ...	£5801 10 6
	Water (Revenue) ...	£500 9 3
	Ditto (Capital) ...	£58 16 4

J. T. DARBY, Chairman.