

9th April 1904

At a Chamber Meeting held this day pursuant to Notice after the Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed the following was Considered. Viz:

- 1 Hillside House Honiton & Oscar Berry and Minutes of last Meeting. - Clapps letter
- 2 Payment of Ays. Tithe, & Insurance.
- 3 Applications for recommends, and Westons case.
- 4 Application on behalf of Sidney Strawbridge
- 5 Roof of Shed Hampton.

6 Appl Mrs Durn see Dec 11th 06 Dec 05

1 The Chairman to see Mr Mortimer for him to write Oscar Berry and get possession, also to write Mr Clapps that until the Feoffees get possession they are in no position to treat with any prospective Tenant.

2 Resolved that cheques be signed as follows

Chyque

£11. 19. 0

Mr Mermagen £25. Great Tithe £16. 9. 5.
 Jarman & Co. £12. 12. 0. Insurance £1. 3. 0 Edwards
 for Salary £7. 10. 0, various Ays Viz: Mann 14/6
 Hy Hooper £1. 5. 6, Strawbridge £1. 17. 6 Smith 9/6

- 3 That at the next Meeting Mr Cuming will bring forward the Case.
- 4 The Chairman to Enquire and report.

5 The Colyford Committee to inspect the Shed at Hampton and report.

6 Proposed by Mr Warry Bull seconded by Mr Farmer that Mr^{rs} Durn be given £2.

Resolved that Mr Cuming with the Bailiff get Notice Boards and fix them at Cownalls that any Person found fishing will be prosecuted.

Members Present Mr Kingdon, Chairman
 Rev: R. Furner. Mess^{rs}: Follett, Cuming
 Searle, Zealley, Board, Warry Bull, Smith,
 Loveridge & Farmer
 F W W Kingdon
 Chairman

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14th May 1904

At a meeting of the Chamber held this day pursuant to Notice, after the minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed, the following was considered viz:

- 1 Members appointed from Parish Council
- 2 Letter from Mr. Clapp, and matters connected with House & Shop.
- 3 re Mr. Summers Garden Wall.
- 4 State of roof Mr. Banns, Ottery.
- 5 Letter from Mr. J. A. Sellar.
- 6 To Audit Soup A/c.
- 7 Applications for help from G. Fowler, A. White, & E. Anning.
- 8 For bye Infirmary Recommendations from F. Edwards, Ada Edwards, Brights Child (Heathayne, and John White Colyford.

Before proceeding with the business the Chairman feelingly referred to the death of the late Hon. Mark Rolfe who had been one of their Trustees for many years. He moved that a Vote of Condolence be forwarded from the Chamber, to Lady Rolfe & Family, the motion was carried in silence.

- 1 A letter was read giving the names of the five Members appointed to represent the Parish Council on the

- 1 Chamber of Feoffes viz: Mess^{rs} L. Loveridge G. Warry-Bull WWT Board, Hy Sweetland and F. J. Baker.
- 2 Letters were read from Mr. Clapp & Mr. Mortimer after some discussion the matter was referred back to Mr. Mortimer, Mr. Kingdon with any other members of the Chamber to see Mr. Mortimer and take what steps are necessary.
re Dixies Parlour. The Ottery Urban District Council wrote saying they had decided to form a path over the fallen portion of the cliff, and thus save the expense of a lease for any portion of the Feoffee property. Resolved to refer the letter back to Mr. Mortimer in order that he might recover his expenses from the Ottery Urban District Council.
- 3 The Bailiff reported on the bad condition of the Garden wall at the bottom of the Garden rented by Mr. Summers at Noniton. Resolved that Mr. W Richards inspect and report & draw Specification.
- 4 The Bailiff reported on the unsafe state of the roof of Mr. Banns House, Ottery. Resolved that Mr. W Richards also inspect this and report what is required to be done.
Mr. Bann wrote asking for the Garden now rented by Mr. Roberts who is leaving, The Bailiff to see Mr. Roberts with a view of his giving it up to Mr. Bann.
- 5 A letter was read from Mr. J. A. Sellar asking that certain repairs might be done to his house inside & out. left to Mr. W Richards to inspect and report.
- 6 Mr. J. White produced the Soup A/c which was Audited and a Cheque of £13. 11. 10 drawn to balance. Proposed by Mr. Sprague that

6 A Vote of Thanks be accorded the Committee for the trouble they had taken seconded by the Rev: R. Turner & Carried, Mr. White thanked the Chamber on behalf of the Committee

7 Resolved that as G. Fowler had not resided here 15 years he was not qualified - nothing was granted to Amelia White & the Anning was given £3. A letter with Application was read from E. J. Hooper he was granted £5: for his Mother.

8 Applications Eye Infy Recommends were granted to F. Edwards, & John White with no fee, to Ad Edwards Rec'd fee 5/- Mr. Brights Child to stand over as she is ill, Tom White was granted a Hospital Rec'd fee 5/- E. H. Ayres was granted a Rec'd Eye Infirmary no fee.

A letter was read from Mr. F. White Ridgway asking the Feoffees to lengthen the Arch by the Vineyard Gate leading to his house as it was dangerous, left to the Allotment Committee to carry out.

Mr. Kingdon reported the Committee had visited the plot in Colyford Meadow & were going to inspect it with Mr. Warren.

The same Committee had also inspected the shed at Hampton. The repairs necessary were left to the Committee to carry out.

Resolved that Mr. Snell be given a barrel of Tar & a brush & ask him to tar the Linhay &c at Buddles Hayes

Members Present Mr. Kingdon Chairman
Rev: R. Turner.

Mess^{rs}: Searle, Board, Sweetland, Sprague,
L. Lovridge, White, Smith, Follett, Cuming,
Warry Bull & Baker.

F. W. W. Kingdon
Chairman

24th May 1904

A Special Meeting of the Chamber held this day pursuant to Notice

Letters from Mr. Mortimer, re Oscar Berry and Clapp.

Letters were read from Mr. Mortimer & Mr. Clapp.

After considerable discussion it was proposed by Mr. Searle seconded by Mr. Richards that Mr. Clapp pay the rent with all Expenses incurred up to the 21st June. and to be allowed to carry out the terms of the lease, but to leave all the fixtures as they now stand on the premises at the end of his term an Agreement to this effect to be endorsed on the lease and counter part.

Mr. Mortimer (who was present) was instructed to carry this out.

Members Present Mr. Kingdon Chairman
Mess^{rs}: Searle, Board, Warry-Bull, White, Richards, & Farmer.

F. W. W. Kingdon
Chairman

11th June 1904

At a meeting of the Chamber held this day pursuant to Notice, after the Minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed the following was considered

- 1 Letter from Mr Mortimer, re Clapp.
- 2 Mr W Richards report & specification, re Garden Wall Honiton.
- 3 Mr W Richards report & specification, re Banns House, Ottery.
- 4 Mr W Richards report, re Mr Sellers House.
- 5 Payment of Rates & Aps.
- 6 Application for subscription re Bathing place.
- 6a Fairs, Tolls, & Bell.
- 7 Application by Infy Rec^d for Littleys Child
- 8 Applications for help from Geo: Bennett, Geo: Anning, Ann Sweetland, & Fry Purse
- 1 Mr Mortimers letter was read, also one to him from Mr Clapp. The Bailiff was desired to ask Mr Mortimer to attend the meeting some discussion ensued, after which Mr Clapp came to the Chamber and asked for an interview this was granted. He offered to surrender the lease for the sum of £100 and the rent due to the 24th June.

Mr Clapp was desired to retire while the matter was discussed.

It was proposed by Mr Board that it is desirable to have the premises in the Feoffes own hands and that Mr Clapp be offered £50 and the rent due to the 24th June also expenses incurred for the surrender of the lease seconded by Mr Searle.

Mr Baker moved as an amendment that Mr Clapp be offered £30. with rent due to 24th June and expenses for the surrender of the lease. seconded by Mr Richards.

On the amendment being put to the meeting the following voted for it viz: Mess^{rs} Loveridge, Baker, Richards, Sprague Strawbridge, Warry Bull, Smith, White & Farmer. This being a large majority of the members present, the proposition was not put, and the amendment declared carried.

It was also resolved that in the event of Mr Clapp refusing this offer he should continue to hold the lease, paying the rent & expenses, & give a guarantee for future rent. On Mr Clapp being re-called the Chairman put the amendment before him. These terms he absolutely refused to accept. he was then given the alternative with 7 days for his answer.

- nos 2-3-4 adjourned for the next meeting.
- 5 Resolved that the following Aps be paid, Honiton Rates £1.12.4, Colyton £2. 9. 1, Petty Cash Ap £3. Sanson £3. Turner £1. 16. 6, Watkley £1. 10. 0, White £14. 14. 4, Fair Aps 17/1
 - 6 Mr Warry Bull brought forward the matter of providing a Bathing place & asked the Feoffes for a subscription and suggested that the following form a Committee viz Mr Kingdon (Chairman) Mess^{rs} Follett, Cuming, Loveridge, & Warry Bull, to carry the matter out. Mr Sprague proposed that a sum of £4 be granted.

6 provided the remainder of the Am^t required can be obtained by Public subscriptions seconded by Mr Baker & Curried

7 The Bailiff produced the Am^t collected viz: 13/9 as Tolls taken at the April Fair, Resolved that this Am^t be paid into the Bank, & Cheque drawn for the expenses incurred,

That the Posting & Bell should be let by Tender as from the 24th June, The Bailiff to put a few notices out to this effect.

8 Little was granted Eye Infy Recommend for his Child with Railway fare, Bright, Heathway Rec^d? but no fee. The following grants were made, W Bennett £2, Geo: Anning £2, Ann Sweetland £2, J Quance £3.

A letter was read from the Rev: R. Turner (Vicar) resigning his position in the Chamber. The following being a Copy.

Colyton Vicarage
June 11th 1907

My Dear Mr Kingdon

Owing to my departure from Colyton I beg to resign my position as Twentyman in the Chamber, in doing so I should like to thank you as Chairman and through you every Member of the Chamber for the kindness and courtesy I have received. I hope the Chamber may long continue to do good work for Colyton. - The Chamber has indeed conferred many benefits material intellectual & moral on the inhabitants of the Parish in the past may it continue to do so for the generations to come! with all good wishes for the success of all your efforts for the welfare of Colyton and with deep regret at the severance of the relationship which has bound me to Colyton Believe me yours very sincerely
Richard Turner

P.S. I have handed my Keys to the Bailiff

The resignation was accepted with much regret and the Chairman was asked to reply to the letter on behalf of the Chamber.

Members Present Mr Kingdon Chairman
Mess^{rs} Searle, Smith, White, Farmer, Board, Baker, Sweetland, Richards, Strawbridge, Sprague, Loveridge, & Warry-Bull.

F W W Kingdon
Chairman

Special Meeting

A Special Meeting of the Chamber was held on 2nd July 1907.

To consider a letter from Mr Clapp with a Cheque enclosed for £13.15.0 rent due to March 25th last. after some discussion, Mr Mortimer was asked to attend & give his opinion, He advised accepting the rent, and giving Mr Clapp possession, handing him the Keys.

Proposed by Mr Warry Bull that the Meeting adopt Mr Mortimer's suggestion viz, accept the Cheque and the Bailiff to hand Mr Clapp the Keys. seconded by Mr Baker & Curried
Members Present Mr Kingdon Chairman
Mess^{rs} Searle, Smith, Farmer, Warry Bull, Follett, Sprague, White, Board, Baker, with Mr Mortimer

F W W Kingdon
Chairman

9th July 1904

At a Meeting of the Chamber held this day pursuant to Notice after the Minutes of the last meeting were read and Confirmed, the following was Considered Viz:

- 1 Keys from the Rev. R. Turner.
- 2 Specification as adjourned, Honiton
- 3 Specification as adjourned, Ottery.
- 4 Specification as adjourned, Colyford.
- 5 Tenders, Posting & Bell.
- 6 Years A/c's as balanced
- 7 Payment of Salaries &c.
- 8 re Broad Down.
- 9 Applications for help from, Is Hooper, L. Brichard, J. P. Purse, & George Froom.

1 Proposed by Mr Board and seconded by Mr Sprague that Mr Searle hold the Keys of the safe.
Mr A Richards moved an amendment that Mr Farmer hold the Keys, on the amendment being put the following voted for it viz: Mr Richards, Mr Smith, Mr Farmer on the Motion being put the following voted for it viz: Mr Board, Mr Bunning, Mr Sprague & Mr Baker, The Chairman declared the proposition Carried, The Chairman and Mr Tolleth did not vote.

- 2 The Specification, re garden Wall at Mr Summers was gone through, It was decided that the Bailiff should ask the Builders in Honiton to give a price for the work.
- 3 The Specification re repairs at Mr Barnes House, after some discussion, It was proposed by Mr Tolleth that no money be spent on this property, and that the Tenant be given Notice to quit at the proper time, as the Feoffes contemplate re-building this was seconded by Mr Cuming and Carried, The Bailiff to write Mr Barnes the decision of the Chamber.
- 4 As this Specification contained so many items of repair, It was proposed by Mr Bunning that the lease be examined to see what is the Tenants liability and how long the lease has to run, The Specification to stand over for the next meeting, seconded by Mr G. Warry-Bull.
- 5 Two Tenders were received viz J. C. Northcott £ 1. 5. 0 per Ann²²
W Anning 1. 10. 0 ..
Proposed by Mr Richards seconded by Mr Smith that W. Anning's Tender be Accepted, Carried.
- 6 The Bailiff Produced the Years A/c's as balanced to the 30th June, - Resolved that Mr Murley audit them as usual, The Chairman to go through them before signing It was proposed by Mr Bunning that a Committee be formed to go through the rentals with a view to an increase if necessary, seconded by Mr Board.
- 7 The following Cheques were signed Mr Mermagen £ 26. 5. 0
Edwards 13. 4. 10 Edwards Salary £ 7. 10. 0, Little £ 5. 14. 10, Ward (Sul) 10/- A. Anning £ 1. 10/-
P. J. Clarke £ 15. 11. 6
- 8 A letter was read from Mr Mortimer & one enclosed from Mr Bond saying they could find no reference with regard to the Award, and charging 10/- for the search, which Mr Mortimer had paid, after some

discussion It was resolved to have a special Meeting on the 16th Inst. to search for the Award.

The matter of Colyton God & River Overy, and the piece of land across the river Axe, to be gone into later.

M^r Farmer Moved that a Special Meeting of the Chamber be held for the purpose of filling up the Trustees. Resolved that the Meeting be held on the 23rd Inst.

9 Applications for help James Hooper was granted £2 George Sporn nothing, Brichard nothing, & Purse nothing, Hospital Rec^d: J. Purse and Railway fare if no free pass is granted him by the Railway Coy.

An Eye Infirmary Rec^d was granted M^r S. Amming

x but no fee

Members Present M^r Kingdon Chairman, Mess^{rs}: Amming, Board, Baker, Farmer, Follett, Kingdon, Warry Bull, Sprague, Richards & Smith, F.W.W. Kingdon

x M^r Farmer proposed that a vote of thanks be accorded St Stephens Bqr. for his generosity towards freeing the bridge at Axmouth

A Special Meeting was held on July 16th to search for the Award, re Broad Down.

After some time the Award was found and re-deposited in the chest to await a further meeting.

Present M^r Kingdon Chairman, M^r White, M^r Farmer & the Bailiff

F.W.W. Kingdon Chairman

23rd July 1904

Special Meeting held this day re filling up the Trustees.

After some discussion It was proposed by M^r Warry Bull that the Trustees be elected from the resident Freeholders of the Parish, seconded by M^r Richards. It was resolved that the meeting on August 13th should be a Special one at 6 O'clock for this purpose, the Bailiff to bring a list of the resident Freeholders.

re Award Broad Down.

The Chairman read the award, after which it was proposed by M^r Amming that all the Deeds relating to Broad Down be sent to the Charity Commissioners with the Copy of the Award, stating that the Trustees intend enclosing Broad Down during the coming winter, having sold a quantity of timber for the purpose, and asking for their Opinion, also saying the Tenant complains of the present state of Affairs, and is willing to pay interest on the outlay, thanking them for an early reply. Seconded by M^r Board. Carried

F.W.W. Kingdon Chairman

13th August 1907

A Special Meeting of the Chamber followed by the monthly Meeting was held at 6 O'clock this day pursuant to Notice, after the minutes of the last meeting were read and Confirmed, the following was Considered Viz,

1 To elect Trustees

2 Tenders wall at Honiton

3 Letter from Mr. Murley

4 Applications for help from John Long, Alfred Anning & Fowler

1 A discussion took place as to the Age limit for Trustees, after which it was proposed by Mr. Warry Bull & seconded by Mr. H. Sweetland that the Age limit be 40 years. Carried.
The Bailiff produced a list of Freeholders from which 20 names were selected when it was proposed by Mr. Board & seconded by Mr. H. Sweetland that these names be printed and a Copy sent to each member asking them to Vote for or less, and bring the paper marked and folded to the next Meeting where the result would be declared, 10 clear days Notice of the Meeting to be given. Carried.

2 Tenders were received from Mr. Dodd £14. 10 0
Mr. Turner 16. 13. 0

These Tenders were considered too high, and it was Proposed by Mr. Cumming seconded by Mr. Baker that the Bailiff ask some Colyton Masons Viz. A. Anning, S. Mestorick, W. Russell

2 and J. Hooker to contract for the No. 12 and the matter to stand adjourned to the next Meeting.

3 A letter was read from Mr. Murley saying he had Audited the Years A/c. & found them correct The Bailiff was desired to get Copies printed as before & a Cheque of £1. 1. 0 was drawn for Mr. Murley.

4 John Long was granted £2.

Hy Fowler's Son " " £2.

The Bailiff to ascertain the cost of the Plastic Stockings for A. Anning's Daughter, and pay the A/c.

Members Present. Mr. Kingdon Chairman
Messrs Searle, Board, Sweetland, Sprague, Warry Bull, Loveridge, White, Follett, Baker, Cumming & Strawbridge & Farmer

F W Kingdon
Chairman

5th September 1904

At a Meeting of the Chamber held this day pursuant to Notice after the Minutes of the last Meeting were read and Confirmed the following was Considered Viz:

- 1 To Ballot for and Elect 9 Trustees from list of Freeholders sent with this Notice,
- 2 re Deed of Feoffment.
- 3 Senders Wall at Noniton.
- 4 Payment of Rates.
- 5 Years A/c. as printed
- 6 Application for Eye Surgery recommends from Wm Kitley & Co Spurway. & Help for S. Hoskins & Whitley by Letter.

1 After some discussion it was Resolved to proceed with the Election. The ballot papers were handed in and read out by the Chairman. The following was the result

	Votes		Votes
Amstis W. V.	4	Smith G. H.	10
Baker F. J.	9	Sprague Geo.	4
Bull G. Warry	5	Stokes Francis	8
Cuming E. H.	12	Strawbridge G.	5
Evans W. H.	5	Summers W. J.	7
Follett John	13	Snell Tom	1
Hann Fred	7	Webb H. S.	5
Hooper E. J.	1	White F. Midgway	0
Richards Asa	6	White John	11
Richards D.	0		
Searle James	8		

The following 9 were duly Elected Trustees Viz:
Mr Follett, Mr Cuming, Mr J. White, Mr G. H. Smith, Mr Baker, Mr Searle, Mr Stokes, Mr Summers, Mr Hann

It was proposed by Mr Cuming that the Bailiff send the present number of Members to the Charity Commissioners asking if it is their wish for the Management to continue as before, or whether they would give the Chamber a more up to date Scheme seconded by Mr Follett and carried.

- 2 To stand Over
- 3 The Bailiff to Enquire of Curslake what he would charge per rope for putting up the Wall, if the Feoffees found the Material.
- 4 Cheques were signed Noniton Rates 8/6 Colyton £2. 9. 1
- 5 Each Member had a Copy of the A/c.
- 6 Rec^{ts} for Eye Infirmary were granted to Kitley & Spurway with Railway fare.

A grant of £2 was made to S. Hoskins, £1. to Whitley. The water Bailiff reported that the Reservoirs were very low & that if the waste of water & the taking it to fields for Cattle was not stopped, the supply would not last. Resolved that notices be served on all consumers by the Bailiff, to this effect, The Water Bailiff to be instructed to cut off any supply after this if he found any waste. The 3 Key holders to meet & get out the deeds re Broad Down.

Mr Cann of Otery was given an interview with regard to the proposed Alteration to his house. He offered to pay 5/6 on the Outlay if a new house was built.

Resolved that the following Committee visit Otery & report on the property Committee, The Chairman, Mess^{rs} Board, Farmer, Strawbridge, Richards, Sprague, Warry-Bull, Sweetland, Searle, Loveridge, Smith & Cuming.

It was decided to go on Wednesday next, and to visit Noniton (re Wall) the same day.

A discussion took place with regard to insuring the Fire Brigade, It was decided to enquire by the next meeting what the cost would be.
Members present Mr. Kingdon Chairman, Messrs. Follett, Cumming, Searle, Board, Warry Bull, Baker, Sweetland, White, Sprague, Smith, Loveridge, Spawbridge, Farmer, & Richards.

No 1 Omitted. That Mr. Kingdon proposed that the Election stand over until the Charity Commissioners be asked to give their new scheme. This failed to get a seconder. When Mr. Cumming proposed that the Election be proceeded with this was seconded by Mr. Follett and Carried.

F. W. Kingdon

8th October 1904

At a Meeting of the Chamber held this day pursuant to Notice, after the minutes of the last Meeting were read and Confirmed, the following was considered viz:

- 1 Report of the Obery & Honiton Committee,
- 2 re Fire Brigade Insurance
- 3 Payment of Salaries & A/c's.
- 4 Application for Eye Infirmary Recd from C. Palmer

1 A discussion took place with regard to the members elected by the Parish Council, when it was proposed by Mr. Warry-Bull that the Bailiff write to the Charity Commissioners and ask the meaning of the word "Trustee" (as elected by the Parish Council) quoted by them in their letter of May 21st 1904 asking the Parish Council to Elect. seconded by Mr. Loveridge.

1 Mr. Farmer made a report, after some discussion Mr. Follett proposed the matter stand over for the next meeting meanwhile the Committee meet to draw up a report this day week at 7 P.M. seconded by Mr. Warry Bull, absent members to be given notice.

2 Adjourned for further Enquiries

Resolved that the following A/c's be paid viz

Insurance Mr. Cumming £6. 1. 6, Mr. Abrahams £1. 16. 6, Mr. Kingdon 18/9
Salaries & Mr. Mermagen £25, Bailiff £7. 10s, Petty Cash £3.
A/c's. Snell £1. 19. 6, Deeley £1. 16. 6, Smith £2. 5. 3.

over.

4 a rec^d for Eye Infirmary was granted to Palmer
but no fee.

Members Present M^r. Kingdon Chairman
Mess^{rs}. Cuming, Board, Coveridge, Follett,
Warry-Bull, Smith, Farmer, and Sweetland

F W W Kingdon
Chairman