

Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 1st December, 1913, at 3 p.m. Present:

THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen:

RICHARD ROGERS. WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT

Councillors:

JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY FRANK CHARLES DODWELL EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART PETER PHILIP TAYLOR THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

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1—Minutes of Statutory Quarterly Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council on the 10th November last, having been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council be taken as read and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2—Education (Choice of Employment) Act, 1910—Councillor Winterbotham moved and Councillor Blakeney seconded that a Grant of £12 be made to the Education Committee to provide for the salary of officer and other incidental expenses, under the Education (Choice of Employment) Act, 1910. On the proposition being put to the Meeting the names of those voting for or against were recorded as follows:

For—Aldermen Margrett, Skillicorne and Waghorne, Councillors Blakeney, Haddock, Hanson Powell, Merrett, Stewart and Winterbotham (9).

Against—Aldermen Baker and Rogers, Councillors Bendall, Dodwell, Green, Mann, Rees Jones, Sawyer, Silk, Steel, Taylor, Wilkins and Wood (13).

The Mayor thereupon declared the motion lost.

3—Public Health Committee Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 11th and 17th November last, be approved and confirmed.

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

5—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meetings of the 13th and November last, be approved and confirmed.

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

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

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8—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 18th November last, be approved and confirmed subject to the following Amendment viz.: That the Meetings of the Town Improvement Committee be held on the Wednesday of the second week preceding the Council Meeting at 11 a.m. instead of on the Thursday in the first week.

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

10—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 14th November last, be approved and confirmed.

11—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 21st and 26th November last, be approved and confirmed.

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

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

Mayor.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 5th January, 1914.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 8th December, 1913—Present: The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Hanson Powell, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :--24 Queen Street, 35, 45 and 49 Fairview Street, 9 Rutland Street, 31 Rose and Crown Passage, 9 York Street Cottages, 14 Marle Hill Parade, and 2 Oakville, Swindon Road. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Overcrowding at 2 Exmouth Court, Exmouth Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises,

notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3—Cleansing and Limewashing at 30 Fairview Street, Kemble Brewery and 2 Trent Cottages, Fairview Street, 2 Oakville, Swindon Road, 21 Queen Street, 20 Granville Street and 8 Montpellier Retreat. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

4 —Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 20a & 21 Promenade Villas, 16 & 17 Ormond Terrace and Aban Court North and Rokeby, Malvern Road. The inspector of Nuisances Mixing made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1871, stating that the drains Ac, on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

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5—Insanitary Property—30 Fairview Street, 4 Fairview Terrace, 2 Trent Collages, Fairview Street, 9 Rutland Street, 20 Upper Park Street, 14 Marle Hill Parade, 2 Oakville, Swindon Road, 24 Queen Street and 8 Montpellier Retreat, The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings., floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in curie a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction on the 25th ulto of 3 small pork pigs as unfit, for food (weight 931lbs.)

7—Humane Slaughtering—Read, a letter from the President and Secretary of the Cheltenham Butchers' Association expressing the views of the Association with reference to the proposed Bye Laws requiring the humane slaughtering of animals and asking that representatives should be allowed to meet the Committee after Xmas to discuss the matter. Resolved, That is deputation be invited to attend a meeting of the Committee as requested.

8—Royal Sanitary Institute Congress—Read, a letter from the Secretary, Royal Sanitary Institute, asking the Council to appoint representatives to attend the Annual Congress to be held at Blackpool from the Otis to the 1,1th July neat. Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health and Chief Inspector of Nuisances he authorised to attend.

9—Report of Farms Sub Committee—The Forms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 0th instant. Present: The Mayor, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood. (Councillor Wood in the chair). Farms Manager's Report—The Farms Manager reported that the number of stock on the Farms on the 8th inst. was 21 horses (not including 6 at the Depot), 135 head of Cattle (including 2 calves), 121 sheep and 17 pigs all doing very well. Since the last meeting, 63 sheep had been purchased for £110 5s. 1 calf had been bred on the farms. 23 head of cattle (including 3 calves) had been sold for £402 9s 8d. 15 sheep (including 5 lambs) for £37 5s. 4d. and 1 Cart horse £6 .10s. Total sales £446 5s.

Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. Newman to purchase the bed of Osiers at 6d, per bundle (with a 38-inch tie) be accepted; that the tender of Mr. W. O. King for supplying a Saw Bench at £7 5s. 0d. be accepted and that the Manager be authorised to obtain tenders for the Ash trees eat down at Barn Farm.

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

10—Delancey Hospital—The Chairman reported that Mr. Colchester Wemyss (Chairman of the County Council), Mr. E. T. Gardom (Clerk), and Dr. Middleton Martin (County Medical Officer) attended on the 3rd inst. and conferred with Representatives of the Town Council, The Charlton Kings Urban District Council, and the Cheltenham Rural District Council, as to cases of Tuberculosis being received into the Delancey Hospital The County Representatives suggested that in return for an agreed payment by the County Insurance Committee the Hospital should be available for advanced cases of Tuberculosis occurring within the area of the three Authorities, it being understood that if any additional Buildings are required three-fifths of the cost would be provided by the Government. The Chairman also reported that the representatives of the three Local Authorities were unanimously of opinion that it would be inadvisable to provide for the reception of tuberculous cases at the Delancey Hospital. Resolved, That the Committee concur in this opinion.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 11th December, 1913. Present: The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

11—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz Cottage at rear of 21 Stanhope Street, 5 & 6 Casino Place, 8, 9 & 30 Upper Norwood Street, 5 Gt. Norwood St. and 8 Victoria St. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation

12—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 19 & 36 Sherborne Street, 3 Pear Tree Cottages, Sherborne Street, 23 Queen Street, 3, 9, 29, 30 and 43 Upper Norwood Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

13—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 1 & 2 Rosehill Cottages, 6 and 7 Witcombe Place, 2 Limerick Cottages, and 16 Upper Norwood Street. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee. 16 & 17 Ormond Terrace, 20a & 21 Promenade Villas, Aban Court, and Rokeby, Malvern Road.—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to

require amendment and alteration. He submitted specification of works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved and that notice be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

14—Insanitary Property—9 Gt. Norwood Street, 3, 9, 29, 30 and 43 Upper Norwood Street, 23 & 54 Queers Street and 18 Great Western Terrace. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

15—Notices not Complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a List of Notices requiring the abatement of Nuisances caused by dirty walls and ceilings, defective floors, roofs, etc. and requiring the provision of Ash Receptacles which had been served but not complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to compel compliance.

16—Houses unfit for Human Habitation —Walton Cottage, Woodbine Cottage and Plum Cottage, Hester's Way—Closing Orders—The Medical Officer of Health made a representation thrust these dwelling houses were in such a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and he recommended that the houses be closed. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting and that in the meantime Notice be given to the owners of the premises of the intention of the Council to make Closing Orders.

17—Destruction of Diseased Food—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased food as follows, viz : on the 10th instant a box of Cod Fish (weight 1 cwt. 2 qrs.) and on the 11th instant the carcase and offal of a sheep (weight 41 lbs.)

18—Actinomyces in Ox-Tongues—Read, a letter from the Town Clerk of London forwarding in copy of a Report of the Medical Officer, of Health for the City and Port of London with regard to Actinomyces inn Ox-tongues imported from Argentina, which had been submitted for the consideration of the Local Government Board. Resolved, That the Repot be referred to the Medical Officer of Health.

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19--Sewer in Phoenix Passage—The Borough Engineer reported that when the Private Improvement Works in Phoenix Passage were being carried out, the sewer was found to be defective and that he was having a new 9-inch sewer laid at cost of about £10. Resolved, That the action of the Borough Engineer be approved.

20--Farms Sub-Committee—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they had a Joint Meeting with the Stores Sub-Committee on the 15th instant, (Present. The Mayor, Councillor Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood—Councillor Wood in the chair), and discussed an application from the Stores Sub-Committee for a reduction in the terms for the hire of horses front the farms for the Highways Department and they recommended that no alteration be made in the present arrangement.

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

21—Sewage Works. Resolved, That an allowance. of £35 be made to the Contractor if he will arrange for the wagons, etc., used for hauling material to the Works to be fitted with 10 inch wheels instead of 6 inch wheels in order to diminish the wear on the roads.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 18th December, 1913. Present Tice Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Stewart and Winterbotham (The Mayor in the ehai0.

22—Assistant Medical Officer of Health—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Education Committee stating that the Education Committee had resolved to terminate, by three mouths notice, the appointment of Dr. Alice Born as Assistant School Medical Officer, Resolved, That this Committee recommend the Council to give three months notice to Dr. Burn, terminating her appointment its Assistant Medical Officer of Health.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting this Committee held on Tuesday, the 9th December, 1913. Present: Alderman Baker, Councillors Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1-Gloucester Road—Read a memorial from Mr. C. Austin and others asking that the footpath in Gloucester Road, opposite Alstone Grange. might be gravelled. Resolved, That consideration of the memorial be adjourned and that the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with the owner adding that the removal of the boundary wall which is in a defective condition should be carried out at once.

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2.-Trees in Keynsham and Hewlett Roads--Read, a letter from Miss Woodard and Miss Hailes asking for the removal of trees in-Keynsham and Hewlett Roads. Resolved, That the requests be not acceded to.

3.-Temporary Building, Sun Street-Mr. Pratt attended the Meeting and stated he had now sold Oxford Villa, Sun Street, to Mr. J. Davis, who also owned St. John's Cottages, at the back of which the temporary building complained of had been erected. Resolved, That the consideration of the matter be adjourned.

JOHN BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 22nd December, 1913. Present The Mayor, Alderman liar Councillors Hendon, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

4-Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways-The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the highways Department from the 21st November to the 18th December, 1913 (both inclusive) had been as follows:-

Roads repaired-Battledown Approach (2,811 sq. yds.), Prestbury Road 12,540 sq. yds.). Roads Patched-Albion Street, Clarence Street, Evesham Road, Gloucester Road, Lansdown Road, North Place, Pittville Lawn, Prestbury Road, Rosehill Street, St. Margaret's Road, Sandford Road, Sydenham Villas Road, Thirlestaine Road and Western Road.

Private Improvement Works-Phoenix• Passage, (proceeding). Electricity Trenches Repaired-Bath Road, Bath Street, Fairview Road, Grosvenor Place S., High Street, Leckhampton Road, London Road, Malvern Road, Montpellier Villas, Montpellier Terrace (back of), Pittville Crescent, Portland Street, St Paul's Lane, Suffolk Parade, Suffolk Road and Winchcomb Street. Footpaths gravelled -Pittville Lawn and West Drive. footpath margins asphalted-Sydenham Villas Road. New paving (slabs)-Suffolk Parade.

Paving repaired-Bath Road, Gloucester Road, High Street, Malvern Road, Pittville Lawn, Queen Street, Sandford Road, and Suffolk Road. Channel repaired-Gloucester Road, Malvern Street and Queen Street. Kerb repaired:- Malvern Road. New gulley fixed-1. Gulley grates and frames fixed -2. Trees pruned-Clarence Square, Promenade, St. George's Road, The Park, and Wellington Square.

Trees planted-Albert Road (2), Christ Church Road (1), Eldorado Crescent (1), Gloucester Road (2), C1ratton Road (5), Imperial Square (.3), Malvern Road (3), Moorend Park Road (1), and Wellington Square (1).

5-Ashes Collection and Disposal-During 4 weeks ended 11th December, 1913.-848 loads collected, 839 consumed, and 9 tipped away. Weight consumed, 1,068 tons 6 cwts. 2 qrs, Steam Generated-- Hourly average, 5,454 lbs.

6-View Meeting-The following Members attended the 'View Meeting on Friday last-Councillors Bendall, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins.

7--Report of Plans Sub-Committee-The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 9th and 19th inst. Resolved, That the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

8-Stable Manure-The Borough Surveyor reported that he had advertised for tenders for the stable manure, and that he had accepted the tender of Mrs. Shurmer of 7/- a ton for the year ending the 31st December, 1914. Resolved, That the action of the Borough Surveyor be approved.-

9--Imperial Square-Read, a letter from Mr. F. W. Hands calling attention to the condition of the inner road opposite Nos. 1 to 13 Imperial Square. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up a plan and estimate of the works required to done by the abutting owners.

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10—Kew Place —Read, a letter from Mr. W. Morgan of Karenza, Bath Road, stating that he had carried out repairs in Kew Place and asking that the road should be declared a public highway. Resolved, That the request be not acceded to.

11- - Main Roads-Resolved, That application be made to the County Council to main the following rota: —

Queen's Road.

Bath Road, from High Street to Norwood Arms.

The Promenade, from Rotunda to High Street.

High Street and Tewkesbury Road, from Hales Road to Midland Railway Bridge.

Clarence Street and Manchester Street, from High Street to Great Western Railway Station.

Pittville Street, Portland Street, and Evesham Road.

Winchcomb Street and Prestbury Road.

12- Motor Bicycles.—Read, a circular letter from the Local Government Board enclosing an Order dated the 18th inst., made by the Board exempting a Motor Bicycle (unless attached to a side-car) from the provisions of the Motor Car Orders, requiring a red light to be exhibited visible front behind and also providing that the condition requiring a white light visible in the direction in which a motor car is proceeding, to be placed on the extreme right or off-side shall not apply to a motor cycle or to a motor bicycle aced with a side-car unless the side-car is attached to the right or off-side of the motor bicycle, and also providing that in the ease of a motor cycle used with a side-car the red light to be exhibited at the rear may be attached to the side-car, and in the case of a side-car attached to the off-side of a motor bicycle it shall be attached to the extreme right or off-side of the side-car.

13—Sandford Road—Read, a letter from Mr. J. Player stating that he wished to plant ivy along the wall of Thirlestaine Hall, and asking for the old kerbing from Sandford Road to be fixed a few inches from the wall to protect the ivy. Resolved, That the Committee raise no objection to the planting of the ivy but that the request as to the kerbing be not acceded to.

14—Gloucester Road—Read, a letter from the Rev. Dr. Flecker, complaining of the condition of the footpath. in Gloucester Road, from the Midland Railway Station to Lansdown Castle, Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to include the cost of repairing the footpath in the estimate to be submitted to the County Council for main roads.

15—Hatherley Road—Resolved. That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the footpath adjoining Hatherley Court repaired where necessary.

16—Damage to Horse Trough, High Street —The Borough Surveyor reported that the Horse Trough in High Street at the corner Hewlett Street, was damaged on the 6th instant, by a motorcar belonging to Dr. Howell, and that this had been repaired at a cost of £1 7s. 9. Resolved. That application be made to Dr. Howell for repayment of this amount.

17—Lower High Street—Cormastik pavement—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had been in communication with the British Trust Corporation, Ltd., with reference to the repair of the Cormastik pavement in Lower High Street. He submitted the correspondence with the Company who were under an agreement to maintain the road, from which it appeared that they were unable to attend to the matter until the spring. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give notice as provided in the contract of the intention of the Corporation to employ other coot meters or workmen to do the work and deduct the cost from the balance due to the Company.

18—Town Planning Conference --The Borough Surveyor submitted a report of the Town Planning Conference at Bath on the 10th instant.

19—Dangerous Corner —Montpellier Street —The Borough Surveyor reported that the owner of Clarence House, Promenade, was willing to give up a piece of the garden of Clarence House, for the purpose of rounding, off the owner into Montpellier Street, subject to the Corporation rebuilding

the Wall and paving the land given up. The cost of the improvement would be about £35. Resolved, Thus the improvement be carried out.

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20—Supply of Coal to Montpellier Baths—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had receive] a complaint that Cannop coal was not being supplied to the Montpellier Baths in accordance with the tender accepted by the Corporation, and he submitted the correspondence with Messrs. Pates and Co., with reference thereto. Resolved, That Messrs. Pates and Co. be informed that the Committee do not consider the explanation given by them at all satisfactory.

21—Electric Light Pillar-Leckhampton Road—Read, an application from the Borough Electrical Engineer for permission to place an Electric Switch Pillar in Leckhampton Road. near the Borough Boundary. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the position of the pillar being approved by the Borough Surveyor.

22—Arle Road--Read, a letter from Councillor Hanson Powell. suggesting that the paving, &c., of the footpath in Arle Road should be continued to the end of Mr. Adcock's property. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up a Plan and estimate for carrying out the work.

23--Telegraph Poles—Well Place, Malvern Place Road and Lansdown Parade Road—Read, an application from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, asking for permission to place three pales and stays in Well Place, Malvern Place Road and Lansdown Parade Road. Resolved, That permission be given, subject to the positions of the poles being approved by the Borough Surveyor. and to steel ornamental poles being provided.

24—Telegraph Poles—Leamington Place—Read, an application from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, for permission to place a pole and stay in the land at the back of Leamington Place. Resolved. That the application be acceded to, subject to the position of the pole being approved by the Borough Surveyor and to six feet of painted lagging being placed round the base of the pole.

25— Underground Telegraphic Line—Read, an application from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, for per-mission to place an underground telegraphic line in the footway along the North side of St. George's Road from the corner of St. George's Parade, and along the lane at the rear of Bayshill Road. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the excavation and reinstatement of the road and footpaths being carried out to the satisfactions of the Borough Surveyor.

An application was also received for permission to erect in telegraph pole inn Royal Well Lane and four poles and two stays in the lane at the rear of Parabola Road and one pole in Parabola Road. Resolved. (1) That permission be not given for the erection of a pole in Royal Well Lane, in the positions asked for, as it would leave less than four feet for the footway. (2) That permission be given for the erection of four poles and two stays to be erected in the lane at the rear of Parabola Road, and (3) that permission be not given for the erections of a pole in Parabola Road, but that a pole be allowed to be erected in the lane at the rear of Bayshill Road, subject to the position of the poles being approved by the Borough Surveyor and to painted lagging six feet high being placed round each pole.

26— Fountain -Read, a letter from Messrs. R. L. Boulton and Sons, suggesting that the fountain presented by Mrs. Drew nil the late Mr. J. Drew should be placed at Montpellier, opposite the

Montpellier Rotunda, instead of in Clarence Street. Resolved, That the Committee see no reason to alter their previous decision.

27-Asquith and Churchill Roads Private Improvement Expenses—Read, a memorial from Mr. J. Holman and others, asking for a reduction in the private improvement expenses in Asquith and Churchill Roads. Resolved, That the Memorialists be informed that the Corporation cannot alter the apportionments.

28—Trees—Read, letters from Rev. J. Lawrence Green, Messrs. E. Tanner and E. Perrott, with reference to the trees in Lansdown Place, Albert Road and Gloucester Road. Resolved, That the letters be referred to the Trees Sub-Committee.

JOHN D. BENDALL

Chairman.

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PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 9th December, 1913, Present Councillors Bendall, Hanson Powell, Merrett, Steel, Stewart, and Wilkins. (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

1 --Building Plans--The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following Notices and Plans of intended new buildings, viz.

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1226	H. A. Badham	Alterations to rear of 231 High Street.
1227	A. Miles Ltd.	Mass Roof to portion of yard, 117 High Street.
1228	J. Wheway	Cover to yard at 7 Clarence Parade.
1229	R. Steel	New W.C. at No. 1 Delabere, Tivoli Road.
1230	Bence & Sons Ltd.	New Showroom, 41 Fairview Road.
1231	H. & A. Bradshaw	1 Semi-detached houses, Halland Road.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1226, 1227, 1230 and 1231 be approved, that plan No. 1229 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector and that Plan 1228 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 19th December, 1913. Merrett, Steel, Stewart, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1232	Barnby Bendall & Co.	Six houses in Lypiatt Street
1233	T. Curtis	New Wing to Curtis Hotel, Parabola Road
1234	J. Hayward	New Bathroom, No.2 Granley Villas, Gloucester Road
1235	J. W. C. Court	Detached House, Arle Road.

Resolved, That Plans 1232 be disapproved, that Plans No. 1235 be approved, and that Plans No. 1233 and 1234 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman

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TOWN. IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 11th December, 1913. Present: Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel and Taylor (Councillor Steel in the chair).

1—Musical Afternoons—Read, a letter from Mr. Horace Teague recommending that half-season tickets should be issued as follows :-50 Concerts for 7/6, Family ticket 1s. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

2—Band—Read, a letter from Major Tarrant, Band President of the 5th Batt. Gloucester Regiment, stating that the Batt. Band was now established in Cheltenham and suggesting that the Band should be engaged to play in the Promenade or the public gardens during next year on the following terms, viz :—

For two hours in the morning : 16 men, £3 10s. each day. 20 men, 10s. each day.

For two hours in the evening 20 men 3s. each evening.

Resolved, That the suggestion be not at present entertained. Read, a letter from Mr. C. James, bandmaster, Cheltenham Rifle Band, offering to play in the Promenade Band Stand on Boxing Day as usual from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at a charge of Resolved, That the offer be accepted.

3—Pittville Gardens—Boiler—The Borough Surveyor reported that the boiler at the greenhouses at Pittville, which had been in use for 13 years was entirely worn out and he recommended that this should be at once replaced with a sectional boiler. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to obtain tenders for providing and fixing a sectional boiler, and that he be empowered to accept the lowest tender.

4—Pittville Lake—Read, a letter from Mr. J. Maby releasing the Corporation from further payment of rent after the 14th instant in respect of the portion of the field in Evesham Road which was filled up with material from Pittville Lake.

5—Tree near Edenham, Wellington Square—Read, a letter from miss Sharp, of Edenham, asking for the removal of a tree opposite her house. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned.

6—Advertising—Read, a letter from Messrs. E. J. Burrow, Ltd., submitting a scheme for is series of advertisements of Cheltenham in American newspapers at a cost of £19 2s. 3d. Mr. Burrow attended the Meeting. Resolved, That the matter be considered at the next Meeting.

ROBT. STEEL,

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 11th December, 1913.—Present: Councillors Green, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith, Taylor and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1-- Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he tested the gas for illuminating power with the following result, viz.,-14.8 candles. Ills test for purity showed 23 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

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

3— Application for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received an application for a supply to Elmscourt, Albert Road. The cost of the necessary extension of main was £70, and the owner was willing to guarantee a return of 20 % on the outlay for 5 years. Resolved, That the extension be made on these terms.

4 --Lighting of Albion Street--The Borough Electrical Engineer recommended that an improved reflector should be provided for the 12 electric lamps to be placed in Albion Street, at a cost of £7 10s. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

5—Whaddon Lane—A complaint was received of the lighting of Whaddon Lane near its junction with Prestbury Road, Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for the Committee to view.

W, J. MERRETT,

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 18th December, 1913. Present The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Green, Mann and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 11th Dec., 1913	Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	166,000 gallons	199,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	367,000 "	628,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	<u>53,000</u> "	<u>46,000</u> "
	Total 586,000 "	873,000 "

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	Depth	Contents 15th Dec, 1913.	Depth	Contents 15th Dec, 1912.
Hewletts		18,985,000 gallons		24,120,100 gallons
Dowdeswell	22ft. 0in.	52,707,000 "	32ft. 0in.	100,024,000 "
Leckhampton	7ft. 6in.	<u>1,017,000</u> "	8ft. 0in.	<u>1,080,000</u> "
		Total Storage 71,759,000 "		125,224,000 "

Pumping had been discontinued at Sandford on the 3rd instant but was being continued from Tewkesbury.

Tewkesbury Works—An application was received from the Foreman at the Tewkesbury Work for a bath to be provided at the Lodge. Resolved, That the Borough Engineer be authorised to have a bath fixed at a cost not exceeding £4

Hewletts Reservoir—Resolved, That a new grate be provided at the Hewlett Reservoir Lodge at a cost of about £2.

2—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered and the Rates settled and adjusted.

CHAS. A. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 18th November, 1913. Present:—The Mayor, Aldermen. Baker, Margrett, Rogers and Waghorne, Councillors Bendall, Haddock, Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Waghorne in Me chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—Superintendent Hopkins reported an outbreak of Swine Fever on the 22nd ulto at No. 2, Holly Villas, St. Mark's. 2 pigs had died and 29 had been slaughtered by order of the Board of Agriculture. These premises and also the premises at Brighton Villa, Gloucester Road, were still under quarantine.

2—American Gooseberry Mildew—Superintendent Hopkins submitted a list of cases of American Gooseberry Mildew which had occurred in gardens within the Borough. The cases had been visited by the Inspector of the Board of Agriculture and the notices had been served in accordance with the Order.

3—Tuberculosis Order, 1913—Superintendent Hopkins reported that a 4-year old cow at Arle Court Farm, in the occupation of Mr. W. F. Brown, was found to be affected with tuberculosis. He submitted the valuation and report of the Veterinary Inspector (Mr. Taylor) which showed that the animal was suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied that the animal is suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation notice be given to the owner of the intended slaughter of the animal.

4—Fire Brigade—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that the Brigade was called to an outbreak of fire at Badgeworth Manor, damage £15, Brigade expenses £9, buildings and contents insured. Also on the same date to a fire at 262 High Street, damage £5, Brigade expenses £1 5s., contents but not buildings insured.

5—Hippodrome—Gangways—The inspector (Mr. Holbourn) reported that on several occasions chairs had been placed in the gangway during the performances at the Hippodrome. Read a letter from Mr. C. Gill Smith stating that he had given instruction for the gangways to be kept clear. Resolved. That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings for the penalties incurred, under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, in the event of any further breach of the regulations.

6—Town Hall—Read, a letter from the Borough Electrical Engineer suggesting that an Electric Cab sign should be placed outside the Town Hall for use in connection with the Balls and Concerts which would do away with the nuisance caused by shouting. The cost of a single-side sign would be £25 10s and a double-sided sign £34 10s. exclusive of the rust of ironwork, fixing and the special cable

required. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Electricity and Lighting committee for consideration.

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Read, a letter from the Hon. Sec. of the Cheltenham and Gloucestershire Canine Society asking if the Council would grant the use of the Town Hall for a Dog Show and upon what terms. Resolved, That the building be not let for this purpose.

7—Alstone Grange Estate—Read, a letter from Col. La. Terriere offering to sell the Alstone Grange Estate (7 acres) for £5000. Resolved, That the offer be not entertained.

8—Storage of Celluloid Articles—Read, a letter from the Home Office recommending that Local Authorities should issue a warning to Shopkeepers as to the special precautions which should be taken in shops to guard against accidents in connection with the storage and exhibition of Celluloid Articles, The Town Clerk submitted a copy of a Notice which had been issued by the Mayor, Resolved, That the action of the Mayor be approved.

9—Storage of Carbide of Calcium—Read, an application from lie. T. V. West, of 88 High Street, for a Licence to store 3 cwts. of Carbide of Calcium, The Inspector reported that the place of storage was satisfactory. Resolved, That a Licence be granted.

10—Mayor's Chain and Mace—The Tenders received (2) for re-gilding the Mace and repairing the Mayor's Chain were considered. Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. H. M. Simmons of £3 11s. be accepted.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

MUNICIPAL OFFICES SITES COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 5th December, 1913. Present The Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Margrett and Waghorne, Councillors Bendall. Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith, Silk, Stewart and Taylor. (Alderman Margrett in the chair.)

1—Municipal Offices—Mr. S. Healing (Architect) attended, and submitted the specification of the alterations, &c., to be carried out at No. 21. Promenade. Resolved, That Tenders be invited by advertisement from local builders for carrying out the work.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 10th December, 1913—Present: Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel and Taylor, and Mr. G. Dimmer (Councillor Green in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that 872 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum since November 12th, and 404 Catalogues had been sold.

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Considerable progress had been made with the classification of the Mineral collection, and a commencement had been made with the naming and classifying of the collection of shells.

A more careful classification had been made of the Prehistoric Flints.

Preparations were being made for returning the Paintings by Modern Artists now on Exhibition, and the Gallery would be ready to receive the Water Colour Sketches of the Antarctic by Dr. Adrian Wilson by the first week in January.

Mr. Fletcher had almost completed the work of naming the specimens in his Herbarium.

2—Varnishing of Pictures—Resolved, That the Curator be asked to varnish the pictures " A Libation to Olympus " and " Shadowed."

3—Show Cases—The Curator submitted the following tenders received for providing two additional show cases: Martyn & Co. Ltd. ... £32 0s. 0d. G. Boulton Co. ...£28 17s. 10d. Cavendish House Co. Ltd. £23 0s. 0d.

Resolved, That the Tender of Cavendish House Co. Ltd. be accepted, the cost to be charged to the Leslie Young Bequest.

E. C. GREEN,

Chairman.

MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 12th December, 1913—Present: Councillors Blakeney, Dodwell, Merrett, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Blakeney in the Chair).

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

£ s. d.	
Receipts	391 18 5
Expenses	511 7 1
Interest Redemption	
(Proportion) ...	<u>350 13 4</u>
	£862 0 5
<u>391 18 5</u>	

Read, a letter from Mr. T. Parker stating that he had engaged the Montpellier Baths for a Dance on New Year's Eve and asking to be allowed to continue the dance later than 11 p.m. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

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2—Alstone Baths--The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in, respect of these Baths from the 1st April to the 30th November, were as follows :—

£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Receipts ...	365 8 9	Expense,	345 0 11
		Interest Redemption	
		(Proportion) ...	<u>222 13 4</u>
	£365 8 9		£567 14 3

3—Mineral Waters—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during November last was 803, as compared with 773 for the month of November, 1912. The

number of bottles of Concentrated craters sold during November last was 228, as compared with 156 for the corresponding month in 1912,

J. H. BLAKENEY.

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 19th December, 1913.—Present : Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Winterbotham (Councillor Stewart in the chair).

1—Designs—Resolved, That the following designs be approved, viz. Memorial Crosses to graves of Reggie Brown and Henry Knaggs. Headstone to grave of Charles William Sawyer.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—Resolved, That the Cornices Seal be affixed to grants (No. 4594 to 4606 both inclusive) of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein, which had been purchased.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 9th December, 1913—Present Councillors Green, Mann, Merrett, Sawyer, Steel and Wilkins, Dr. Davis, Messrs. R. Claridge, F. J. Caudle and E. C. Rogers (Alderman Rogers in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts £3 1s 2d

2—Presentations—Trustees of British Museum 5 Vols. and 1 pamphlet. Cheltenham Branch, National Service League, Framed letter from Earl Roberts.

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The number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library during the four weeks ended the 6th instant (22 days) was 1636 an increase of 124 as compared with the corresponding period last year.

The number of volumes issued from the Lending Department was 10,333, an increase of 239 as compared with last year.

21 Volumes of Books for the Blind had been issued during the past month.

3—Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 4th instant, Present Alderman Rogers (Chairman), Councillor Green and Merrett, Dr. Davies and Mr. F. J. Caudle.

They had considered the Tenders (9) received from local builders &c. for the painting of the outside woodwork and recommended that the tender of Messrs. A. C. & S. Billings Ltd. of £43 14s. be accepted.

They also recommended:

(1) That in view of the small number of Blind people making use of the Braille Books, the annual subscription be reduced from £5 (which entitles the Library to 20 Vols. per month), to £2 10s. for 10 Vols. for 2 months.

(2) That the London Directory for 1911 be purchased at a cost of £1 12s 6d. Resolved, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

RICHARD ROGERS,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 23rd December, 1913. Present: The Mayor, Aldermen Waghorne, Councillors Rees Jones, Steel, and Wilkins (Alderman Waghorne in the chair)

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 23rd instant, on the collection of the second instalment of this Rate was read, Amount collected, £8,298 0s. 2d. ; leaving outstanding £16,414 18s. 8d.

2—Water Rate—Read, the Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 23rd inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending the 25th March next. Amount collected, £3,903 10s. 11d. ; leaving outstanding £7,782 15s. 9d.

3—Loans—The Boroughs Accountant reported that he had received since the last meeting £300 and £200 on loan at 3¾ per cent., and had also arranged for a loan of £500 at 3¾ per cent. to be received in January next. Resolved, That Debentures be sealed and issued accordingly on account of Electric Lighting Loans.

He also reported the terms he had arranged for the continuance of loans of £200 £2,100, £1,000, and £1,300, the terms for which would shortly expire. Resolved, That the terms arranged be approved, and that Debentures be sealed and issued accordingly.

4—Investment of sinking Funds--The Boroughs Accountant reported that the Southend-on-Sea Corporation desired to borrow £10,000 at 4½ per cent., payable by half-yearly instalments of principal and interest combined within a period of 40 years, but they were willing for the balance of the loan to be repayable at the option of either party at any time after five years on six months notice. Resolved, That subject to the Town Clerk approving the security offered, the sum of £10,000 be advanced to the Southend-on-Sea Corporation, out of the Sinking Funds upon the terms mentioned.

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5—Insurances—The Borough Accountant reported that the Corporation Insurances were now being revised, and that he had obtained cover notes for the insurance of the new buildings, &c., at the Sewage Disposal Works. Resolved, That the action of the Borough Accountant be approved.

6—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer. The Treasurer's accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following teas the General Statement:—

Overdrawn on the 25th November last	10,132 4 5
Paid since that date (including Loan repaid, £250)	<u>12,069 1 4</u>
	22,201 5 9
Received since that date (including Loans on Debenture, £500)	<u>13,542 10 10</u>
	Overdrawn 8,658 14 11
being General Accounts	16,734 12 11

less Sinking Fund Accounts—in hand	7,992 1 5
"Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts do.	<u>83 16 7</u>
	<u>8,075 18 0</u>
	£8,658 14 11

J. WAGHORNE,
Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 5th January, 1914, at 3 p.m. Present:

THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen:

WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT RICHARD ROGERS

Councillors:

JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY FRANK CHARLES DODWELL EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES

JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART PETER PHILIP TAYLOR THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTÉ1 WILLIAM WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

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

2 —Gloucestershire Insurance Committee—Cheltenham District—Resolved, That Councillor Mann be appointed a Representative of the Council, on the Cheltenham District Committee of the County Insurance Committee, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Councillor Hanson Powell.

3 —Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 8th, 15th and 18th December last, be approved and confirmed.

4—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 9th and 22nd December last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following Amendments, viz : That the Resolutions to Minutes No. 13 and 26 (Site for Fountain and Sandford Road) be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

5—Town Improvement Committee-- Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 11th December last, be approved and confirmed.

6—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 11th December last, be approved and confirmed.

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

8—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 16th December last, be approved and confirmed.

9—Municipal Offices Sites Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Municipal Offices Sites Committee at their Meeting on the 5th ultimo, be approved and confirmed, and that the Tender of Messrs. Collins & Godfrey, amounting to £1076 18s. 10d., for carrying out the alterations, etc., at 21 Promenade (being the lowest Tender) be accepted, and that the Common Seal be affixed to a Contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

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

11—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee--Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 12th December last, be approved and confirmed.

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

13—Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 9th December last, be approved and confirmed.

14 —Finance Committee -- Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 23rd December last, be approved and confirmed, and that an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

Mayor

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Borough of Cheltenham.

MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Quarterly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 2nd February, 1914.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 12th January, 1914—Present The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Green, Hanson Powell, Rees Jones, Steel, Winterbotham and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :-13, 35, and 60 Upper Norwood Street, 2 and 3 Brooklyn Terrace, 240 and 241 High Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash

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

2—Overcrowding at 53 Queen Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3—Cleansing and Disinfecting at 12, 15, 16, 51, and 53, Upper Norwood Street, 1, 3, 5, 6, and 7, Brooklyn Terrace, 1, Beckbury cottages, Cleveland Street. The Medical Officer of Health having rectified that the cleansing, disinfecting and purifying of these houses or parts thereof would tend to prevent or check infectious disease. Resolved, That the Council being of this opinion, Notice be served on the owners and occupiers to cleanse and disinfect the houses or parts thereof within the time specified in such notice.

4—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 6 Ambrose Place, 33 and 36 Moorend Street, and Eaton Cottage, Moorend Crescent. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains &c, on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be nuisance or injurious to health Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

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16 Upper Norwood Street.—The Inspector of Nuisance; reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specification of works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved and that notice be given under Section 11 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

5--Insanitary Property--12, 13, 15, 16, 51, 52 and 55 Upper Norwood Street, Sand 4 Brooklyn Terrace, Millbrook Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, stalls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—Walton Cottage and Plum Cottage, Heaters Way—Closing Order—With reference to the representation of the Medical Officer of Health that these houses should be closed. Mrs. Pates, the owner of Walton Cottage, and Mr. C. H. Sumner, the owner of Plum Cottage, attended the Meeting. Resolved, That it appearing to the Council that the above mentioned dwelling houses are in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, Orders be now made pursuant to Sec. 17 (of the Housing Town Planning, etc. Act, 1909), prohibiting the use of the said helloes far human habitation, until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Orders, and that Notice of such Orders be given to the Owners.

Woodbine Cottage—With reference to the representation of the Medical Officer that this house should be closed. Mr. Butt, the owner attended the Meeting. Resolved, That the consideration of making a Closing Order be adjourned.

1 and 3 Swindon Passage, Cottage at 231 High Street, and 1-4 Barnes Yard, and Cottage at rear of 7 Grove Street—Demolition Orders—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the Demolition Orders made in respect of these Premises had been complied with.

7—Humane Slaughtering—Messrs. C. S. Holliday, J. Hayward, W. J. Spreag and W. A. attended the Meeting, on behalf of the Cheltenham Butchers' Association, and expressed their views as to the proposed Bye Laws. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned.

8—Assistant Medical Officer of Health—Resolved, That the Shiver and Councillor Wood be appointed Representatives of the Committee to confer with the Medical Sub-Committee of the Education Committee with reference to the appointment, of an Assistant Medical Officer of Health.

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

Farms Manager's Report—Read, the monthly report of the Farms Manager. Since the last Meeting 19 head of Cattle (including 5 calves) had been sold for £263 17s 0d. 41 sheep (including 3 lambs) for £111 12s. 1d. 12 pigs for £10 4s. 5d. Cart Horse for £3 15s. 0d. and 1 skin for 2/6. (Total sales £389 11s.) 4 Calves had been bred on the Farms.

Resolved, That the Farms Manager be authorised to obtain 50 Ash trees for planting at Barn Farm, and also 100 fencing posts.

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

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 19th January, 1914. Present: The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees, Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

10—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz : Derrett's Cottages, 20 Great Western Terrace, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 St. Paul's Parade Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation

11—Overcrowding at 56 Rutland Street and 22 Commercial Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

12 --Cleansing and Whitewashing at 1, 4, 5 & 6 Derrett's Cottages, Alstone, 6 Ambrose Place, 5, 10, 11, 13, 14 & 16 St. Paul's Parade, 37 Hanover Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered

thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed

13—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 61, 62, 63, 64 and 65 Winchcomb Street, Anchor Brewery, Warwick Stables, 39 and 40 Naunton Crescent, Bath hotel and Pates Almshouses, Albion Street. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

14—Insanitary Property-1, 2, 3 and 4 Derrett's Cottages, Alstone, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 St. Paul's Parade. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

15—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—Woodbine Cottage, Hester's Way—Closing Order—The Committee considered the question of making a Closing Order in respect of these premises. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for 9 months to give the owner and occupier time to put the premises in order.

16—Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Order—Read, applications from Mrs. M. E. Williams of 261 High Street and Sir. O. Samuel of 9a Promenade Villas and Hollym Stables, Parabola Road to be registered as Purveyors of Milk. Resolved, That the applicants be registered.

17—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 16th instant, the carcass and offal of a Pork Pig (weight 40 lbs.) were surrendered and destroyed as unfit for food.

18—Supply of Drugs and Chemicals—Resolved, That the Chemist supplying drugs and chemicals (not included in an accepted tender) required by the Health Department be changed every six months.

19—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Notices, etc. requiring the abatement of nuisances arising from defective drains, defective pitching, ventilation, etc., and also the provision of Ash Receptacles which had been served but not complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceeding to compel compliance.

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20—Extension of Sewer, Gordon Road—Read, a letter from Mr. W. Smith, of Yewdale, Leckhampton Road. asking the Corporation to extend the sewer to provide for the drainage of two houses to be erected in Gordon Road. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to Mr. Smith entering into an agreement to pay the cost of extending the sewer together with any compensation payable in respect of the laying of the sewer across private property, and also to a deposit of being made as security for such costs,

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 13th January, 1914. Present: The Aldermen Baker and Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, and Wilkins Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1—Street Projections—Read, an application train Narks Stores for permission to place 2 lamps and a small sign outside No. 321 High Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions and also to the sign being a fixed sign.

2—Imperial Square—The Borough Surveyor submitted a further scheme of improvement in front of Nos. 1 to 13 Imperial Square. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned and that Borough Surveyor be instructed to communicate with the Owners thereon.

3—Ambrose Place—Read, a letter from Messrs. Engall Cox oh Co., asking that Ambrose Place, in which Private Improvement works had been carried out should be declared a Highway. Resolved. That the application be not acceded to.

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

5—Churchill Road—Private, Improvement Expenses.—Read, a letter from Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney & Co. on behalf of the Capital and Counties Bank, the Owners of land in Churchill Road, applying for a reduction in the amount apportioned (£11 6s 5d.) against them on the ground that they had been charged for a frontage of 36ft., whereas the actual frontage was 18 ft., the remaining land having been conveyed of land fronting Asquith Road. Resolved, That an allowance of £5 13s. 3d. be made.

6—Passage from St. George's Road to Malvern Road—Read, a letter from Messrs. Sharp & Darby, West Bromwich, claiming Compensation on behalf of Mr. J. Wheale who met with an accident from St. George's Road to Malvern Road. Resolved, That the Council do not admit any liability.

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7—Damage, to Seat—Read, a report from the Police of damage done to a seat in the High Street, caused by a motor-cycle belonging to Mr. L. Idiens of Moorend Park, Resolved, That an account for the damage (15/-) be forwarded to Mr. Idiens.

A request was received for the removal of the seat opposite Ashling Villas, London Road. Resolved, That the request be not acceded to.

8—Asphalt Roads, etc.—Read, a letter from Mr. F. Barclay Wilkinson, of 132 Upper Tooting Road, London, calling attention to the dangerous condition of asphalt and tarred roads for horse Raffle, and suggesting that slims other method of road-making should be adopted. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Borough Surveyor.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 26th January, 1914. Present The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

9—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 13th December to the 22nd January, (both inclusive) had been as follows:—

Roads patched—Bays Hill Road, Charlton Lane, Hale's Road, Montpellier Street, Montpellier Walk, Moorend Street, Parabola Road, Regent Street, St. Luke's Road, St. Paul's Lane, St. Paul's Street, S., Shurdington Road and Sydenham Villas Road.

Electricity Trenches repaired—Albert Road, Ashford Road, Bath Road, Battledown Approach, Gloucester Road, Hewlett Street, Kensington Avenue, Painswick Road, Pittville Lawn, Portland Terrace, St. George's Place, St. George's Road and Wellington Square.

Gas Trenches repaired—Arlo Road, College Road, Fairfield Avenue, Prestbury Road and Tivoli Street. Post Office Trenches repaired—Bath Road and Montpellier Street. Footpaths gravelled—Andover Road (600 sq. yds.), Painswick Road (200 sq. yds.) Paving repaired—Grosvenor Terrace, Hewlett Street, Pittville Lawn, Regent Street, Rodney Road and Winchcomb Street.

Asphalt Footpath repaired—Knapp Road, Lansdown Road and Painswick Road. Chelt Footpath repaired. Kerbing repaired--Painswick Road. Channelling repaired—Sherborne Street. Surface Water Drainage—Shurdington Road and Moorend Street (proceeding). Trees planted—Langdon Road, 1 silver birch ; Old Bath Road, 1 maple and 1 lime.

Trees pruned—Sydenham Villas Road. Trees felled by Committee's orders—Hewlett Road, 1 lime; Langdon Road, 1 lime; Sydenham Villas Road, 2 elms.

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 5 weeks ended 5th January 1914,-1076 loads collected, 1007 consumed and 69 tipped away. Weight consume, 1,326 tons 7 cwts. Steam. Generated—Hourly average, 5,908 lbs.

10— View Meeting—The following Members attended the ',View Meeting on Friday last—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins.

11 --Report of Plans Sub-Committee—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meeting on the 13th and 23rd inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

12—Street Projections—Read, an application from the Cheltenham Gas Company for permission to place two lamps outside No. 403 High Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

13—Telegraph Poles—Well Place, Malvern Place Road and Lansdown Parade Road—Read, a letter from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, asking to be allowed to place painted wooden poles in Well Place, Malvern Place Road and Lansdown Parade Road, instead of Steel Poles as required by the Committee. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned and that the Committee view the locality- at their next Meeting.

14—Trees in Kew Place and Grafton Road—Read, letters from Messrs. J. O'Brien and D. T. Turner with reference to trees in Kew Place and Grafton Road Resolved, That the letters be referred to the Trees Sub Committee. Resolved. That a Meeting of the Trees Sub Committee be held on Wednesday, the 4th proximo., at 3 p.m.

15—Slow moving Traffic, etc. —Read, a circular letter from the Secretary of the Automobile Association and Motor Union, suggesting that Bye Laws should be made with a view to keeping slow moving vehicles to the near side of the road and also requiring mirrors and rear lights on vehicles. Resolved, That the Committee do not consider the suggested Bye Laws are at present required.

16—Albion Street—Road Paving—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had been in communication with the Light Railway Company with reference to paving Albion Street with wood block and that they were willing to pave the tramway margins (18 inches) with wood blocks and also to substitute wood blocks between the rails when the existing paving required renewal. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up an estimate for paving the portion of Albion Street between North Street and Winchcomb Street with wood blocks.

17—Imperial Square—The Borough Surveyor submitted a scheme for improving the Lind in front of Nos. 1 to 13 Imperial Square, by enclosing the land with a light iron fence on a new kerbing and planting the same with shrubs. The cost of the improvement would be about £103. The Borough Surveyor also reported that the Owners of the houses were willing to give up the strip of land and he had received promises to contribute towards the cost of the improvement which up to the present made a total contribution of £74 Resolved, That the improvement be carried out.

18—Imperial Square (Inn, Road in front of Nos. 1 to 13 Imperial Square) Private Improvement Works—The Borough Surveyor submitted Specification, Plan, and Estimate of the Works required to be done to the above Street. Resolved, That the same be approved ; and that Notice be given under Section 150 of The Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said Street, requiring to be sewered, levelled, paved, metalled, flagged, channelled or made good requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days ; and that if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act, and the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889.

19—Arle Road (Gloucester Road to Six Chimney Lane) Private Improvement Expenses. The borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in Arle Road had been carried out by the Corporation at a cost including supervision of £152 1s. 8d., and in compliance with the instructions of the Committee he submitted an apportionment in accordance with the degree of benefit to be derived from the works. Resolved, That regard be had to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived from the Works, that the apportionment as now settled upon this basis be approved and that Notices thereof and of demand for repayment be served upon the owners of premises mentioned therein.

20— Fountain --Resolved, That the fountain presented by Mrs. Drew, and the late Mr. J. W. Drew be placed in Montpellier Walk about the centre of the present Cabstand, facing the Promenade.

21 -Pavement Lights. High Street—An application was received from Messrs. Gough & Edwards for permission to place 2 Hayward's Lights in the pavement opposite No. 406 High Street, in the positions shown on the sketch submitted. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual agreement of indemnity being entered into.

22—Temporary Building—Mr. F. Brookes attended with reference to the temporary building erected by him at No. 13 Clare Place without plans having been deposited. Resolved, That the Committee inspect the building at their next View Meeting.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 13th January, 1914. Present: Councillors Bendall, Hanson Powell, Merrett, Steel, and Wilkins. (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1236	Cheltenham College Council New	Sanitary Wing to Hazelwell, College Road.
1237	Governors of General Hospital	New Dormitories at General Hospital.
1238	J. H. Hanson Powell	Additions to Abbotsford, Old Bath Road.
1339	J. Ballinger	Additions to Myrtle Cottage, Old Bath Road.
1240	W. J. Cock	New Cowshed, Fiddlers Green Farm.

Resolved, That the Plans be approved subject to the drainage and other sanitary. work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector.

2—Temporary Building—The Building Inspector reported that a temporary building had been erected in Clare Place without plans having been submitted for approval. Resolved, That Notice be given to show cause why the building should not be removed.

3—Extension of Sewer—An application was received from Mr. W. Smiths for the extension of the sewer to provide for the drainage of two houses proposed to be built by him on land adjoining Gordon Road. Resolved. That the matter be referred to the Public Health Committee.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 23rd, January, 1914. Present: Councillors Bendall, Hanson Powell, Merrett, Steel, Stewart, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

4--Building Plans—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following Notices and-Plans of intended new buildings, viz. :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1241	J. J. Barrett	Additions to Walker Memorial Church, Whaddon Lane.
1242	J. Wheway	Covering over Yard in Post Office Lane.
1243	Major Swiney	Temporary Motor House, Thruyton, St. Stephen's Road.
1244	A. J. Barrett	New shop front, 71 Upper Bath Road.
1245	M. G. Ruck	New Bathroom, 2 Manchester Place.

1246	H. Williams	House in Granley Road.
1247	Mrs. Hamilton	Additions to house, corner of Halland Road, Leckhampton
1248	Byng Morris	New Lavatory, Eldersfield, King's Road.

Resolved, That Plans 1212, 1244, 1246 and 1247 be approved, that Plans 1243 be approved as a temporary building subject to an undertaking being given to remove the same on months notice, that Plans 1241, 1245 and 1248 be approved subject to the drainage and other sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector. JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 21st January, 1914. Present: Alderman Baker and Rogers, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Sawyer, Steel and Taylor (Alderman Baker in the chair).

1—Montpellier Gardens—Archery Ground—Resolved, That the use of the Archery Ground at the Montpellier Gardens be granted to the Cheltenham Archery Club from the 1st April to the 31st October on the same terms as last year, viz.: at a charge of £12 12s., including the services of a man to put up and take down the targets.

2—Games at Montpellier Gardens, etc.—The Town Clerk submitted the draft Bye Laws as provisionally approved by the Local Government Board. Resolved, That the Bye Laws as now settled be made and that the Common Seal be affixed thereto, and that application be made to the Local Government Board for their formal confirmation of the same (a print of the Bye Laws accompanies the Minutes).

3—Bowling Green at Winter Gardens—Read, a letter from the Hon. Sec., Cheltenham Bowling Club, asking the Corporation to provide a pavilion on the side of the Bowling Green nearest to the Queen's Hotel, and offering to pay interest on the cost of the same. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

4—Dog Show—Read, an application from the Secretary of the Cheltenham and Gloucestershire Canine Society, for the use of Montpellier or Pittville Gardens for a Dog Show. Resolved, That the Show be allowed to be held in the Pittville Gardens, on the same conditions as on the last occasion, viz

(1) A payment of £5 5s. for the ground.

(2) Any damage caused to the turf, etc. to be made good by the Club.

(3) Tents to be allowed to be erected on the Saturday, but no dogs to be brought on the ground until the Whit Monday morning.

(4) The portion of the ground used for the Show to be fenced off from the rest of the gardens.

(5) The entrance to the Show to be from Evesham Road.

5—Midland Railway Station, Lansdown—Read, a letter from Mr. S. F. Walker, of Bath, calling attention to the inconvenience caused to passengers owing to no waiting room accommodation

being provided on the down platform. Resolved, That a representation be made to the Midland Railway Co. that proper waiting room accommodation should be provided at the Station.

6 --Federation of British Health and Holiday Resorts—Head a letter from the Secretaries, Visitors' Information Bureau, forwarding for the consideration of tire Committee draft constitution of the proposed British Federation of Health and Holiday Resorts. Mr. J. T. Ireland and Mr. J. W. Manning attended the Meeting. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned.

7—Advertising—The Committee further considered the scheme submitted by Messrs. Burrow Ltd. for a series of Advertisements in the following American Newspapers, viz, " New York Times," " Brooklyn Eagle," " Philadelphia Inquirer," " Boston Transcript," " Baltimore American," " Washington Star," "Chicago Tribune" Pittsburg Dispatch," "Cleveland Plain Dealer," and "Buffalo Express," at a charge of £19 2s. 3d. In addition to the advertisements, illustrated articles would also be inserted without extra charge. Resolved, That the scheme be approved and adopted.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 22nd January, 1914.—Present Councillors Green, Moon, Merrett, Rees Jones, Taylor and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he had tested the gas on the 16th instant for illuminating power with the following result, viz: 14.8 Candles. His test for purity on the 6th instant showed 20 grains of sulphur per 100 Cubic feet.

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

3—Application for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that a supply would probably be required for the New Nurses' Section to be erected at the General Hospital. The cost of giving a supply from the high pressure cable in Sandford Road would be about £35. Resolved, That a supply be given subject to a guarantee of 20% for 3 years.

4—Overton Road—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that it was desirable to couple up the mains in Overton Road, and he recommended that a length of 100 yards of 1-inch low pressure cable should be laid in Overton Road to connect the existing cable to Overton Road Sub Station at a cost of £34, and also a length of 150 yards of cable in Western Road to link up existing cables in that road and St. George's Road at a cost of £51. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

5—Town Hall—The Committee considered the proposal submitted by the Electrical Engineer to the General Purposes Committee for erecting an Electric Cab sign at the Town Hall. Resolved, That the suggestion that this Committee should provide the sign and charge for the hire of the same to the General Purposes Committee be not entertained.

6—Traction—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Company giving formal notice for a revision of the price charged for power at the expiration of three months. Resolved, That the Chairman with the Town Clerk and the Borough Electrical Engineer be appointed to meet representatives of the Company to discuss the matter.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 13th January, 1914.—Present Alderman Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Green and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 14th Jan., 1914 during last 3 years.	Average for corresponding period
Hewletts Springs	145,000 gallons	235,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	314,000 “	553,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	<u>47,000</u> “	<u>39,000</u> “
Total	506,000 “	827,000 “

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CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	14th Jan., 1914.		14th Jan, 1913.	
Hewletts		27,633,000 gallons		31,075,100 gallons
Dowdeswell	21ft. 3in.	50,715,000 “	32ft. 0in.	100,024,000 “
Leckhampton	7ft. 0in.	<u>946,000</u> “	12ft. 6in.	<u>1,689,000</u> “
Total Storage		79,294,000 “		132,788,000 “

Pumping had been continued daily from Tewkesbury during the month.

2—Appeals—The easements entered in the Appeals Book were considered and the Rates settled and adjusted.

CHAS. A. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 20th January, 1914. Present: The Mayor. Aldermen Baker, Rogers and Waghorne, Councillors Bendall, Haddock, Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Waghorne the chair).

1—Diseases of Animals Acts—Superintendent- Hopkins reported that with the exception of the premises at 2 Holly Villas Granley Road, which was still in quarantine, the Borough was free from contagious disease amongst Animals.

2—Tuberculosis Order, 1913-- Read, the report of the Veterinary Surgeon of the Post Mortem examination of the Cow at Arle Court Farm, slaughtered by the instructions of the Committee, which showed that the animal was suffering from advanced Tuberculosis. Resolved, That £1 10s., the

compensation payable strider Article 8 (3) of the Order he paid to the owner (Mr. F. W. Brown), and that application be made to the Board of Agriculture for repayment of half this amount.

3—Fire Brigade—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that on the 17th December the Brigade was called to an outbreak of fire at 74 High Street. Damage £5. Brigade expenses £3 4s. Also on the 21st ulto. to an outbreak of fire at Alstone Lawn, Gloucester Road. Damage about £500 Brigade expenses £6 15s 0d. Also on the 8th instant to an outbreak of fire at St. Paul's Training College. Damage about £6,000. Brigade Expenses £9 12s 0d.

4—Taxi-Cab Licences —Read, a letter from the Local Manager, Bristol Tramways and Carriage Company, stating that he had obtained 3 more Hackney Carriage Licences and asking that 1 Taxi-Cab Licence should be issued for each existing Hackney Carriage Licence given up. Resolved, That 2 Taxi-Cab licences be issued subject to the 3 existing Licences being given up and that the resolution to Minute No. 3 of this Committee's proceedings on the 21st January, 1913, be varied accordingly.

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5—Motor Omnibus, etc.—Stopping Places—Read, a letter from Mr. W. M. Robertson of the Longacre, Charlton Lane, complaining of the frequent stopping of the Trams and Motor Omnibus in the High Street. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Co. with a view to the nuisance complained of being avoided.

6--Public Rights of Way Bill—Read, a letter from the Secretary, Commons and Footpaths Preservation Society, stating that the Society proposed to promote a Bill to simplify the method of proving public rights of way, and asking the Council to pass a resolution in support of the Bill. Resolved, That the Council be recommended to approve the following Resolutions viz.:—

(a) " That in the opinion of the Council it is imperatively necessary that the law in regard to the proof of Public Rights of Way should be simplified and the expense of litigation reduced in view of the frequency with which disputes arise in regard to such ways, and in order that this may be brought about the Council urges upon His Majesty's Government the importance of providing facilities for the passage of the Public Rights of Way Bill, which the Council regrets has not yet been placed upon the Statute Book.

(b) " That copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, the Home Secretary, the President of the Local Government Board, the President of the Board of Agriculture, the Leader of the Opposition, the Commons and Footpaths Preservation Society, and the Member of Parliament for this Constituency."

7—Town Hall—The Borough Engineer reported that the Institution of Municipal and County Engineers would hold their Annual Meeting at Cheltenham from the 24th to 27th June next, and asked for the use of the Town Hall for the Meetings. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

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

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

Blind Asylum	4 5 0
Nazareth House ...	29 0 0
Coburg, Society, Bath Street ...	3 19 0
Victoria Home for Nurses	12 0 0
Provident Dispensary	4 5 0
Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital ...	11 6 0
Boys' Orphan Asylum	2 16 0
Home for Sick Children	8 10 0
Association for Care of Friendless Girls	3 15 0
Leslie Young Day Nursery ...	<u>1 14 0</u>
	£119 14 0

9-Licence to store Petroleum—Read, an application from the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Co. for a Licence to store 250 gallons of Petroleum at their premises at St. Mark's. The inspector reported that the proposed place of storage was satisfactory. Resolved, That a Licence be granted.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 14th January, 1914—Present: Councillors Green, Rees Jones, and Steel, Dr. E. T. Wilson and Messrs. G. Dimmer and M. Stroud (Councillor Green in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that 1836 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum since December 10th.

The collection of Antarctic Sketches which number 253, made by Dr. Edward Adrian Wilson had been arranged in the Art Gallery, and the Exhibition was opened to the Public on January 7th. In addition to the Sketches there were 5 medals, and one rough sketch-book, which had been placed in a glass show case. Great interest was being shown in the Exhibition and 1742 visits had been recorded and 283 Catalogues sold during the 6 days it had been open. Resolved, That the Curator be authorised to visit the South Kensington Museum, to arrange for a further loan of objects for Exhibition.

E. C. GREEN,

Chairman.

MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 15th January, 1914—Present Alderman Baker, Councillors Randall, Dodwell, Haddock, Merrett, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the Chair),

1—Montpellier Baths—Tile Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from the 1st April to the 31st December, were as follows:-

			£ s. d.,
Receipts ...	£401 18 5	Expenses	557 3 8
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ...	394 10 0

£951 13 8

2—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from the 1st April to the 31st December, were as follows:-

		£ s. d.
Receipts	£358 18 1	Expenses 381 14 0
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ... <u>250 10 0</u>
		£532 4 0

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3—Mineral Waters—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during December last, was 689, as compared with 534 for the month of December, 1912. The number of bottles of Aperient waters sold during December last was 276, as compared with 144 for the corresponding month the previous year.

4—Cricket at Recreation Grounds—Read, an application from the Secretary, Templar Cricket Club, for permission to play at the Agg Gardner or Whaddon Lane Recreation Ground. Resolved, That consideration of the application be adjourned.

5—Naunton Park Recreation Ground—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have some trees from the Nursery Ground planted along the fence between the Naunton Park Recreation Ground and the Schools.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on, Friday, the 23rd January, 1914.—Present Councillors Baker, Dodwell, Mann, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel and Stewart (Councillor Stewart in the chair),

1—Superintendent's Report—On the recommendation of the Superintendent. Resolved. That he be authorised to obtain 6 loads of manure from the Farms for the flower beds at the Cemetery.

2—Designs—Resolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz. Headstones to graves of Martha, George James and George Henry Blake, and George Norman. Memorial Cross to grave of Lorne Robert Henry Dick Campbell. Kerbing to graves of Henry J. Gough and John Morley Smith.

3—Grants of Grave Spaces—Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to grants (No. 4607 to 4612 both inclusive) of the exclusive right of burial referred to therein, which had been purchased.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 13th January, 1914. Present: Alderman Rogers, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Merrett, Sawyer and Steel, Messrs. J. R. Claridge, E. C. Rogers and H. Stroud (Alderman Rogers in tee chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts £4 9s. 3d. Presentations : Trinity College of Music (1 Vol.), Mather & Crowther Ltd. (1 Vol.), Durham University College (1 Vol.)

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The number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library during the four weeks ended the 10th January, 1914 (26 days) was 1831 as compared with 1714 last year. The number of volumes issued from the Lending Department was 12,035 as compared with 11,033.

2—Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 8th instant. Present: Councillors Green and Morten, Dr. Davies, Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge (Councillor Green in the chair). They recommended:-1. That Messrs, Moody Bell & Son be thanked for re-enamelling the Aneroid Barometer, which was presented by them some years ago.

2. That Cassell's History of England in 9 volumes be purchased at a cost of 25/, to replace the worn out copy at present in the Library.

3. That the wages of S. A. Webley, Junior Assistant, be increased from 8/- to 10/- per week. Resolved, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

RICHARD ROGERS,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 27th January, 1914. Present The Mayor, Alderman Waghorne, Haddock, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Wilkins, and Winterbotham (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1---General District Rate -The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 27th instant, on the collection of the second instalment, of this Rate was read. Amount collected. £16,121 1s. 7d. ; leaving outstanding £8,591 17s. 3d.

2—Water Rate--The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 27th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending the 25th March, was read. Amount collected, £8,269 17s. 7d.

3—Loans —The Borough Accountant reported that since the last meeting he had received £100, £100, 2400, and £800, on loan at 3¾ per cent. He had also arranged loans of £300, and £10,000 at 3¾ per cent. Resolved, That Debentures ire sealed and issued accordingly on account of duly authorised loans. Resolved, That applications received for the increase of interest on loans of £1,100, £1,100 and £1,044 to 3¾ per cent. Be acceded to, and that tire Debentures be endorsed accordingly.

4—Reciprocal investment of Sinking Funds--The Borough Accountant reported that the Barnsley Corporation were willing to lend from £4,000 to £5,000, if as similar amount were advanced to them, the loans to bear interest at 3 ½ per cent. The period of loan and length of notice of repayment to be the same in each case. Resolved, That, subject to the security offered being approved by the Town Clerk, a sum of £4,000 to £5,000 he advanced to tire be Barnsley Corporation out of the Sinking Funds, and that Debentures be issued- for the amounts to be advanced by the Barnsley Corporation.

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5—Audit of Corporation Stock Accounts—The Borough Accountant reported that on the 16th and 17th inst. he had audited the 3 per cent. Stock Accounts at the National Provincial Bank, London, and found the same in order, and that he had made the usual half yearly Return to the Inland Revenue Authorities as to stamp duty.

6—Education Committee—On the recommendation of the Education Committee, Resolved, That application be made to the Local Government Board for sanction to a Loan of £900 for the following works, viz. :—

Marlborough, House—	£ s. d.
Equipment	218 4 6
Additional Works ...	278 6 0
Gloucester Road and Naunton Park Centres, Milsom, Street Schools—	66 16 1
Alterations	303 12 3
Contingencies	<u>33 1 2</u>
	£900 0 0

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

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

Overdrawn on the 23rd December last	8,658 14 11
Paid since that date (including Loan repaid, £700 and Investment of Sinking Funds, £10,426 12 7)	<u>38,679 10</u>
	47,338 5 7
Received since that date (including Loans received, £1,300)	<u>33,195 3 3</u>
Overdrawn	14,143 2 4

being General Accounts	16,570 15 1
less Sinking Fund Accounts—in hand	2,332 4 10
"Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts do.	<u>95 7 11</u>
	<u>2,427 12 9</u>
	£14,143 2 4

J. WAGHORNE,
Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 2nd February, 1914, at 3 p.m. Present:

THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen: RICHARD ROGERS WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT

Councillors:

JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY FRANK CHARLES DODWELL EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART PETER PHILIP TAYLOR THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

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1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council on the 5th January last having been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council be taken as read and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2—Public Health Committee--Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 12th, and 19th January last, be approved and confirmed.

3—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 13th and 26th January last, be approved and confirmed.

4—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 21st January last, be approved and confirmed.

5—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 22nd January last, be approved and confirmed.

6—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 15th January last, be approved and confirmed.

7—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 20th January last, be approved and confirmed, and that the Resolution to Minute No 3 of the Committee's proceedings at the Meeting on the 21st January, 1913, re Taxi-Cab Licences be varied accordingly.

8—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 14th January last, be approved and confirmed.

9—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 16th January last, be approved and confirmed.

10—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 23rd January last, be approved and confirmed.

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

12—Finance Committee Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 27th January last, be approved and confirmed, and that an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

Mayor.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 2nd March 1914.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 9th February, 1914—Present: The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :-19 Malvern Street, 3, 3 and 6 Moorend Parade, 9 and 21 Imperial Square, 33 Cleaveland Street, 1 and 2 Limerick Cottages, Waterloo Street, 17, 18 and 19 St. Paul's Parade. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Overcrowding at 4 Exmouth Court—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 66 Townsend Street, 40 Stanger ford Street, 32 and 33 Cleaveland Street, 2 Limerick Cottages, Waterloo Street, 18, 19 and 20 St. Paul's Parade. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby, Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

4 —Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 42 and 44 Roman Road, Packington Villa Moorend Crescent and 72 Marle Hill Parade. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains &c, on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be nuisance or injurious to health Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

5—Insanitary Property-32 and 33 Cleaveland Street, 56 Townsend Street, 1 and 2 Limerick Cottages, Waterloo Street, 17, 18 and 19 St. Paul's Parade, and 6 and 7 Cakebridge Terrace. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat as follows :—On the 21st ulto. the carcase and offal of a pork pig and 2 boxes of mackerel, on the 29th ulto. the carcase and offal of 2 pork pigs, on the 5th inst, the carcase and offal of a pork pig and on the 6th inst. 1 box of cod fish and the carcase and offal of a pork pig.

The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 3rd inst. a number of pieces of cooked and uncooked meat which were in an unsound and unwholesome condition were seized by the Inspector of Nuisances at No. 294a High Street in the occupation of Mr. F. Carrick where they were exposed for sale. The meat had been destroyed under an Order from a Magistrate. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings under Sec. 117 of the Public Health Act, 1875, against Mr. Carrick.

7—Infectious Disease (Notification) Act—(Notification of Ophthalmia Neonatorum)—Read, a Circular letter from the Local Government Board enclosing an Order for the compulsory Notification of Ophthalmia Neonatorum which would cosine into force on the 1st April next. The Order made it compulsory for all cases of the disease to be notified by Medical Practitioners and Certified Midwives to the Medical Officer of Health. Forms of notification were to be provided by the Local Authority and a fee of 2/6 paid to Medical Practitioners and 1/- to Certified Midwives for each Notification.

8—Victoria League—Imperial Health Conference and Exhibition—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Victoria League, inviting the Corporation to appoint delegates to attend a Health Conference and Exhibition to be held at the Imperial Institute, London, train the 18th to 21st May next. Resolved, That no delegate be appointed.

9—Report of Farms Sub-Committee—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 9th instant. (Present: the Mayor, Councillor Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair).

Farms Manager's Report—Read, the monthly report of the Farms Manager. The number of Stock on the Farms on the 9th instant was 20 horses (not including 6 at the Depot). 105 Head of Cattle (including 2 Calves), 159 sheep and 28 pigs, all doing well. Since the last Meeting 1 Calf had been purchased for £1 10s. 2 Calves and 23 pigs had been bred on the Farms. 18 Head of Cattle (including 2 Calves) had been sold for £252 18s. 6d., 23 Sheep for £57 6s. 1d., 1 Horse for £18 10s. (Total Sales £328 14s. 7d.)

Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. A. S. Barradell of £8 (the highest) for the trees cut down be accepted and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to supply the Farms Manager with ashes and sludge. Resolved, That the proceedings of the Farms Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 16th February, 1914. Present: The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Winterbotham and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

10—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz 2, 3 and 5 St. James Place, 9, 14, 15, 32, 61, 62 and 67 Queen Street, and 61, 63 and 65 St. James Street. Resolved, That the necessary

Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation

11—Overcrowding at 2 Cakebridge Terrace, 25 York St., and 8 Jersey St.—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

12—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 2, 3,4,5 & 6 St. James Place, 5, 15, 29, 31 & 65 Queen Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

13—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at Brookbank, Priory Place—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee. 72 Marle Hill Parade—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specification of works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved and that notice be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

14—Insanitary Property-2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 St.-James Place, Painswick Road, 5, 8, 9, 12, 14, 15, 18, 27, 29, 54, 65 & 67 Queen Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Sec. 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

15—House without Proper Water Supply-8 St. George's Street—It appearing on the Report of the Borough Surveyor that the above premises were without a proper water supply, but that such supply could be furnished at a cost not exceeding the water rate authorised by the Cheltenham Corporation Water Act. Resolved, That Notice be gives under Section 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owner requiring him to obtains such a supply and to do all such things as may be necessary for that purpose.

16—Houses unfit for Human Habitation-9-13 Hereford Place, and 1-4 Hereford Court—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises in respect of which Closing Orders had been made, had been demolished by the Owners

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

18—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 9th inst. the carcass and offal of Cow affected with Tuberculosis Wore surrender and destroyed as unfit for food (weight 602 lbs.)

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19—Assistant Medical Officer of Health—Resolved, That the Council he recommended to appoint Dr. John Selfe, Assistant Medical of Health (subject to his appointment as Assistant School Medical Officer being confirmed by the Education Committee), the whole of his salary to be paid by the Education Committee, and the appointment to be terminable by three months notice on either side.

20—Hester's Way—Resolved, That the Water Committee be asked to consider the question of extending the Water Main to give a supply to the houses at Hester's Way.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 10th February, 1914. Present: Alderman Baker, Councillors Bendall, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1—Gloucester Road (Prom. Hope Villa to Lansdown Castle)—Private Improvement Works—The Borough Surveyor submitted Specification, Plan and Estimate of the Works required to be done to the above Street. Resolved. That the same be approved ; and that Notice no given under Section 44 of The Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the Owners of the promises fronting, adjoining or abutting upon the porta of the said Street requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, metalled, flagged, channelled or made good ; requiring theist 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 is manner provided by the Act, and the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889.

2—Naunton Parade Private Improvement Expenses—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in Naunton Parade has been carried out by the Corporation at a cost including supervision of £148 0s. 4d., and in compliance with the instructions of the Committee he submitted an apportionment in accordance with the degree of benefit to be derived from the Works. Resolved, That regard be had to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived: front the Works, that the apportionment as now settled upon this basis be approved, and that Notices thereof and of demand for repayment be served upon the Owners of premises mentioned therein.

3—Institute of Municipal and County Engineers—The Borough Engineer reported that it was proposed to arrange a Town Planning Exhibition at the Town Hall in connection with the Annual Conference and Municipal and County Engineers to be held in Cheltenham from the 24th to the 27th June next. Resolved, That the Plans Sub-Committee be requested to assist the Borough Engineer in making any necessary arrangements for the proposed Exhibition of Plans.

4—Telegraph Poles— Well Place, Malvern Place and Lansdown Parade Road—Road. a letter from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs stating that he could not agree to the condition that the poles to be erected in Well Place, Malvern Place and Lansdown Parade should be ornamental steel poles, but he was willing to provide painted poles. A letter was also received from the Secretary of the General Post Office stating that steel poles were not now used by the post

Office in any circumstances. Resolved, That painted poles be allowed to be erected and that the Resolution to Minute No. 23 of this Committee's proceedings on the 22nd December last be varied accordingly.

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5—Stores Sub-Committee—Tenders—Resolved, That a Meeting of the Stores Sub-Committee be held on Thursday, the 19th inst., at the Depot, to consider the Annual Tenders for Materials, etc.

6—Fairfield Park Road—The Town Clerk reported that Notices declaring Fairfield Park Road for a length of 583 feet to be a Highway had been duly posted and advertised, and that no objection had been received to such declaration. Resolved, That the Notice be recorded on the Minutes.

7—Report of Trees Sub-Committee--The Trees Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 4th inst. (Present The Mayor, Alderman Baker, Councillors Bendall, Mann and Stewart (Councillor Bendall in the Chair) Mr. C. O. Hanson of 3 Malvern Place, Instructor of the School of Forestry, Dean Forest, also attended at the invitation of the Sub-Committee. They made the following recommendations—

Imperial Square—That all the large trees on the East side of the Square be removed and silver birch substituted. That the application of Mr. F. W. Hands for the removal of a tree near No. 3 be adjourned until the proposed improvement on the North side of the Square be carried out. Remove limb off elm near Queen's Stables.

Kew Place—That the Owner be requested to thin the trees opposite the houses.

Lansdown Place—That the four trees near "Netherleigh" be trimmed and that the Rev. Lawrence Green be informed that the Committee propose to deal with all the trees in Lansdown Road next year.

Glencairn Park Road—That the alternate trees in this road be removed.

Overton Road—That 4 large trees opposite "Pierreville" be removed and 3 Acacias planted.

Queen's Parade—That the tree opposite No. 1 be removed and 2 Acacias planted.

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

Resolved also, That the Committee inspect the Trees in the Promenade at the next View Meeting to consider the proposals of the Sub-Committee with reference thereto.

8—Tip for Road Scrapings in College Road—The Town Clerk reported that the Lease of the land in College Road used as a tip for road scrapings would expire on the 9th September next. The Lease contained an option on the part of the Corporation to continue the lease for a further term of 5 years on giving six months notice. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give notice of the intention of the Corporation to exercise this option.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 23rd February, 1914. Present: Aldermen Baker and Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Mann, Merrett, Stewart, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

9—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 23rd January to the 19th February, 1914 (both inclusive) had been as follows :—Roads repaired—Ormond Place (400 sq. yds.), Sydenham Road, S. (1,920 sq. yds.). Roads patched—Arle Road, High Street, Montpellier Walk, Promenade, Regent Street, St. James' Square and Tewkesbury Road. Electricity trenches repaired—Albion Street, Clarence Square, Clarendon Villas, High Street, Keynsham Lawn, Leckhampton Road, Oxford Parade, and Royal Parade,

Gas Trenches repaired—Bath Parade, Casino Place, College Road, Stanhope Street, and Tewkesbury Road. Telephone Trenches repaired—Montpellier Terrace (rear of), St. George's Road and Winchcomb Street. Footpaths gravelled-- Sandford Road (293 sq. yds.) Paving repaired—Brunswick Street, College Road, High Street and Park Place.

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New Kerb and Channel fixed—Sandford Road (112 lin. yds.) Kerbing repaired—Tewkesbury Road. Private Improvement Works—Alstone Lane (proceeding). Surface Water Drain laid—Shurdington Road (141 lineal. yds.) New Gullies fixed-

9. Trees planted —Alstone Avenue, 2 maples ; Arle Road, 40 limes ; College Road, 1 lime ; Gloucester Road, 1 lime ; Lansdown Place, 1 acacia ; Montpellier Street, 1 acacia.

Trees pruned—Gloucester Road, Hewlett Road, High Street and Lansdown Place. Trees felled by Committee's Orders—College Road, 1 elm ; Gloucester Road, 13 elms and 2 limes. Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 4 weeks ended the 12th February, 1914-868 loads collected, 839 consumed and 29 tipped away. Weight consumed-1,118 tons, 14 cwt., 2 qrs. Steam Generated.--Hourly average, 6,385 lbs.

10—Report of Plans Sub-Committee—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 10th and 20th inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

11—Street Projections—Read, an application from Messrs. R. T. Adams & Co. for permission to place a show case outside No. 75 and 76 High Street. Resolved, That the application be adjourned to the next Meeting.

12—Baker Street—Private Improvement Expenses—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in Baker Street had been carried out by the Corporation at a cost including supervision of £30 12s. 6d. and in compliance with the instructions of the Committee he submitted an apportionment in accordance with the degree of benefit to be derived from the Works. Resolved, That regard be had to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived from the Works, that the apportionment as now settled upon this basis be approved, and that Notices thereof and of demand for repayment be served upon the Owners of premises mentioned therein.

13—Housing, Town Planning, etc. Act, 1909—Read, a letter from the Local Government Board enclosing a copy of Further Regulations made by the Board. Resolved, That a copy of the Regulations be obtained for cash Member of the Committee

14—Gloucester Road—Read, a letter from Mr. M. H. Cox calling attention to the footpath opposite the King's Arms, Gloucester Road. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to carry out the necessary repairs.

15—Imperial Square—The Borough Surveyor submitted the tenders (3) received for the iron fencing required in front of No. 1 to 13 Imperial Square. The Tender of Messrs. R. E. & C. Marshall Ltd. was the lowest for the iron fencing for which tenders were invited and they had also submitted an alternative 'render for a stronger fence. Resolved, That the alternative Tender of Messrs. Marshall Ltd. at 5/- per yard be accepted.

16—Inspection of Trees—The Committee meet on the 20th instant. (Present: Alderman Baker, Councillors Bendall, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair). After inspecting the trees in the Promenade, etc. it was resolved, as follows :— Promenade—(a) That the trees opposite the premises of Mr. W. S. Cooper and Messrs. Crichton Ltd. be topped.

(b) That the dead Wych Elm near the fountain be removed and 1 Lime and 1 Plane planted.

(c) That new bands be fixed to Willow tree near the fountain.

(d) That the dead Beech at the corner of St. George's Road be removed and one Ailantus Glandosla, (Tree of Heaven) be planted.

(e) That the broke. Chestnut near the entrance to the Winter Garden be removed and another Chestnut planted.

(f) That the small Ash tree near the Queen's Hotel be removed and one Chestnut planted.

Gloucester Road—That the tree near Hopeville be not removed. That one of the trees near Dalkeith be pruned.

Grafton Road—That the three trees opposite the gardens of Cardiff House be pruned.

Ashling Villas, London Road—That the trees opposite Ashling Villas be pruned, and that the Owners of Ashling Villas and the premises on the opposite side of the road be asked to cut back the trees overhanging the footpath.

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Fairfield Park Road—That consideration of the application from Owners in Fairfield Park Road for trees to be planted be adjourned.

17—Telegraph Pole—Moorend Park Road—Read, an application from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, for permission to erect a pole in Moorend Park Road near Shurdington Road. Resolved, That permission be given subject to the position of the pole being approved by the Borough Surveyor, and to 6 feet of painted lagging being placed round the base of the pole.

18—Report of Stores Sub-Committee—The Stores Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 19th instant. Present: Alderman Baker, Councillors Bendall and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair) and considered the Tenders (238 in number) for the supply of materials, etc. for the 12 months ending the 31st March, 1915, and examined the samples accompanying such Tenders. They had also received a deputation from the Master Printers' Association. They recommended the acceptance of the Schedule of prices from the following for the supply of goods required by the Corporation :—

Cement—Aberthaw & Rhose Cement Co. (30/11 ton).

Castings—Bradley & Turton, Kidderminster (2 years).

Disinfectants—Adcocks Ltd., London, United Alkali Co., Liverpool.

Electric Light Fittings—Veritys Ltd., Bristol.

Forge—Oldacre, Son & Co., Cheltenham ; E. Snowsell, Cheltenham; W. Ride & Co., Cheltenham.

India Rubber Goods—Clyde Rubber Co., Glasgow.

Household Goods—E. Joyner & Son, Cheltenham ; London Supply Co., Cheltenham ; Jno. Fisher & Son, Cheltenham Birmingham Blind Institute, Birmingham ; H. L. Ward, Cheltenham ; A. N. Cole, Cheltenham ; Johns & Sons, Gloucester ; Harvey & Sons, Cheltenham ; D. Davies, Cheltenham.

Ironmongery—Jno. Fisher & Son, Cheltenham ; Sheffield black Saw Co.

Kerbs, Setts and Macadam—Left to Borough Surveyor to order from Schedule as required.

Lead Pipe and Fittings—Geo. Bence & Sons, Ltd.

Lime, Bricks and Sand—Geo. Bence & Sons, Ltd., Webb Bros., Ltd., M. Williams & Co.

Printing and Stationery and Drawing Office Materials—Harvey & Healing, G. F. Poole, J. J. Gillham, Norman Sawyer & Co., Ltd., Ellams Duplicator Co., Oliver Typewriter Co., G. H. Hooper, W. W. Bastin, W. Hayman, J. A. Reynolds & Co., T. Hailing, Ltd. (Note.—The tenders for printing and stationery are for 3 years from the 1st April, 1914.)

Stoneware Pipes (Skey's Manufacture)—Geo. Bence & Sons.

Timber—Geo. Bence & Sons, Smith Bros., F. Hodgkinson (Barrows), W. C. Ayres.

Tools—D. Davies.

Uniforms, &c.—C. J. Jennings, C. H. Watts, A. N. Cole.

Wrought Iron, Steel and Files—Stringer Bros., West Bromwich ; A. B. Basher & Co., Sheffield.

White Lead, Oils and Colours—Rowson, Drew & Co., London ; Jno. Fisher & Sons, Cheltenham ; Geo. Bence & Sons, Cheltenham ; Dee Oil Co., Chester ; Harvey & Sons, Cheltenham.

A tender was received from the Cheltenham Blind Institution, for hypes, on the 14th instant, but as the date by which tenders were to be received was the 31st January last, this was not considered. Resolved, That the recommendation of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

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19—Removal of Refuse—Read a letter from the Clerk to the Guardians asking the Corporation to arrange for the removal of all refuse from the Workhouse premises. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Borough Surveyor.

20—Temporary Building—The Committee inspected the temporary building erected at No. 13 Clare Place. Resolved, That the same be allowed to remain as a temporary building, subject to the sides of the building not being enclosed and the usual undertaking being given to remove the same on three months notice.

21—Albion Street—Wood Peaving—The Borough Surveyor submitted a plan and estimate for paving the portion of Albion Street from Winchcomb Street to North Street with wood blocks. The estimated cost of paving the roadway, not including the cost of the tramway margins (18 inches), which would be borne by the Light Railway Co., but including now kerb and channel and footpath,

was £1,000. Resolved, That application be made to the Local Government Board for sanction to a loan of £1,000 for carrying out the work.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 10th February, 1913. (Present: Councillors Bendall, Merrett, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins. (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1249	F. J. White	Detached House in Hall Road.
1250	Smith & Withers	4 Semi-detached houses in Pilford Road.
1251	Webb Bros. Ltd	2 Semi-detached houses, Pilford Road.
1252	R. Webb	Extension of shop in Hewlett Road.
1253	Mrs. Lusty	Additions to No. 236 High Street.
1254	Original Brewery Co. Ltd.	Canopy outside Fleece Hotel.
1255	Trustee of late Dr. Todd.	New W.C. at Keynsham Lawn.
1256	E. Crichton	Temporary Shed at Bennington Street.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1249, 1250 and 1251 be approved, but that with regard to Plans No. 1250 and 1251 the attention of the owners be called to the impracticability of supplying the upper floors with water, that Plans No. 1262, 1253 and 1255 be approved subject to the sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, that Plans No. 1256 be approved as a temporary building subject to the usual undertaking being given to remove the same at 3 months notice, and that Plans 1254 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 20th February, 1914. Present: Councillors Bendall, Merrett, Steel, Stewart, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1198 Plan)	T. Sewell	New Mission Hall, Naunton Lane (Amended
1254	Cheltenham Original Brewery Co. Ltd.	Canopy outside Fleece Hotel.
1257	Bristol Tramways & Carriage Co. Ltd.	New Garage, Spa Road.
1258	W. Smith	4 Houses in Gordon Road.

1259	E. A. Emma	New Bathroom, 41 Montpellier Terrace.
1260	T. Moon	Extension of Garage, 23 Hatherley Street.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1254 be approved, that Plans No. 1198 be approved subject to an iron drain being provided and also a manhole being provided on junction of new drain with existing house drain, that Plans No. 1257 be approved subject to the Cornice not projecting more 1 ft., that Plans No. 1259 and 1260 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, and that Plans No. 1258 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 18th February, 1914. Present: Alderman Baker Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Sawyer, Steel and Taylor (Alderman Baker in the chair).

1—Montpellier Gardens—Shelter—The Borough Surveyor submitted a sketch of a shelter to be provided in the Montpellier Gardens in the place of the shelter which was burnt last year. Resolved, That the Committee meet at the Montpellier Gardens on Wednesday, the 25th inst. to consider the matter.

2—Bummer Concerts—The Borough Surveyor submitted his valuation of the depreciation of the steel: used in connection with the Summer Concerts which showed the amount payable by Mr. Newton to be £8. Resolved, That application be made for payment of this amount.

3—Pittville Estate—Trees—Read, letters from Mrs. Shirer and Miss Burns asking for the removal of a lime tree opposite No. 6 and 7 Pittville Lawn, and from Col. Noake for the removal of elm trees near Cleveland House. Resolved, That the Committee inspect the trees on the 25th instant.

4—"Looker On " Sweet Pea Show—Read, is letter from the Looker On Printing Co. Ltd. stating list it was intended to hold a Sweet Pea Show in conjunction with a Band Concert and Floral Fête at the Montpellier Gardens, and asking that the Show might be held under the auspices of the Mayor and Corporation. Resolved, That this Committee recommend the Council to accede the request.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 25th February, 1914. Present Alderman Baker, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Sawyer, Steel and Taylor (Alderman Baker in the chair).

5—Montpellier Gardens—Shelter, etc.—The Borough Surveyor submitted a plan for a new building to replace the building destroyed by fire last year. This contained a Manager's office, small kitchen and store room, rooms for use of tennis and croquet players, and also a verandah for shelter. He estimated the cost of the building at £200. Resolved, That the plan be approved and that application be made to the Local Government Board for their sanction to a loan of £200 for the erection of the building. Resolved also, That Tenders be invited for carrying out the work.

6—Advertising—Mr. E. J. Burrow attended and submitted a proposal for a whole front page advertisement in the "Daily Mail" at a cost of £350. His firm were willing to take half the page at

£175. The Chamber of Commerce had agreed to contribute £50, if the Corporation would contribute the same amount for an advertisement of the Town, and he anticipated that the balance of £75 would be found by private firms for business advertisements. He suggested that the advertisement in the " Times of Ceylon " at a cost of £6 10s. might be discontinued in view of this extra expenditure. Resolved, That the proposed advertisement in the " Daily Mail " be approved and that £50 be contributed to the cost. Resolved also, That the advertisement in the " Times of Ceylon" be discontinued at the expiration of the current year.

7—Pittville Estate—Trees—The Committee inspected the trees on the Pittville Estate in respect of which complaints had been received—

Wellington Road (near Cleaveland House)—Resolved, That no trees be removed.

Evesham Road, etc.—Resolved, That the Elm tree at the corner of Evesham and Wellington Roads be removed, and also the elm tree opposite, and that two acacias be planted.

Wellington Square—Resolved, That the tree in Wellington Square reported in a dangerous condition be removed and copper Beech planted.

Pittville Lawn—Resolved, That the Limo tree opposite No. 6 and 7 Pittville Lawn be removed and a copper Birch planted, and that the Ilex tree in Pittville Long Garden be lopped.

8—Hedges in Pittville Crescent—Read, a letter from Mrs. Bourne of 5 Pittville Crescent, asking that the hedges of the Pittville Crescent Garden should be repaired to prevent dogs getting into the Garden. Resolved, That the Committee consider it impracticable to keep dogs out of the Garden.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this committee held on Thursday, the 12th February, 1914.—Present: Councillors Green, Haddock, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Taylor and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).]

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he had tested the gas on the 18th instant for illuminating power with the following result, viz. 14.8 Candles. His test for purity on the 10th in it showed 22 grains of sulphur per 100 Cubic feet.

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

3—Application for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received an application for a supply to No. 5 Naunton Park Terrace and that another house had also promised to take a supply. The cost of extending the main would be £30. Resolved, That the extension be made.

4—Albion Street—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the electric lighting in Albion Street was commenced on the 13th instant and he recommended that the existing Gas Lamp in Sherborne Place, near Sherborne Cottages, should be allowed to remain. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and that the Resolution to Minute No. 5 of this Committee's proceedings on the 16th October last, be varied accordingly.

5—Electric Bracket—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had arranged with Messrs. Collins & Godfrey, to allow an electric bracket to be fixed to their building at the corner of Highbury Lane and Albion Street, subject to a nominal rent of 6d. per annum and to the bracket being removed on 3 months' notice. Resolved, That the action of the Borough Electrical Engineer be approved.

6—Excavation—Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. Mark Williams & Co.. for undertaking the whole of the trenchwork and re-instatement in connection with extensions of mains and services at an inclusive charge of 10d. per yard run, be accepted, subject to a Contract being entered into to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

7—Public Lighting—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the two half-watt lamps fitted in Regent Street had proved satisfactory and he recommended that 47 all night lamps and 40 half-night lamps should be changed from arc lamps to metal filament lamps and that the cost of the conversion should be charged to revenue. If this were carried out there would be a saving in cost which would enable a reduction of £220 to be made in the charge for Public Lighting. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

W. J. MERRETT,
Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held CM Thursday, the 12th February, 1914.—Present: The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Merrett, Sawyer, and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 7th Feb., 1914 during last 3 years.	Average for corresponding period
Hewletts Springs	142,000 gallons	234,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	313,000 "	562,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	<u>46,000</u> "	<u>42,000</u> "
	Total 501,000 "	838,000 "

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CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	Depth	Contents		Depth	Contents
		7th Feb, 1914.			7th Feb, 1913.
Hewletts		16,124,000 gallons			30,310,100 gallons
Dowdeswell	19ft. 0in.	40,873,000 "	32ft. 0in.		100,024,000 "
Leckhampton	6ft. 0in.	<u>810,000</u> "	12ft. 6in.		<u>1,689,000</u> "
		Total Storage 57,8079,000 "			132,023,000 "

Pumping was discontinued at Tewkesbury on the 25th ultimo.

2—Tewkesbury Works—The Borough Engineer reported that the low-lift pumps at the Tewkesbury Pumping Station had become worn and the cylinders required re-boring and new plungers fitted at a cost of about £14 14s. 0d. Resolved, That the work be carried out.

3—Extension of Main—The Borough Engineer reported that he had received an application from Messrs. Webb Bros. Ltd. for a supply of Water to Prestbury Lower Mill. The cost of extending the main would be £50, and the estimated return for water supplied was only 19s. 3d. Messrs. Webb Bros. were willing to deposit the sum of £10 towards the cost on condition that this sum should be repaid to them as soon as the annual return from premises supplied from the extension amounts to 10% upon the outlay. Resolved, That the extension be made on these terms.

4—Strickland Cottage Homes—Read, a letter from Mr. W. If. Horsley, the Trustee of the Strickland Cottage Homes, asking that the Cottage Homes to be erected in Hale's Road be supplied from the main by one service pipe with a branch pipe to each house instead of a separate service main being required. Resolved, That the request be acceded to.

5—Tenders for Cast Iron Pipes—The Borough Engineer submitted the Tenders (8) received for the supply of Cast Iron Pipes. Resolved, That the Tender of the Holwell Iron Co. of Melton Mowbray (being the lowest tender) for the supply of Cast Iron Pipes in accordance with the Schedule be accepted for one year from the 1st April next,

6—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered and the Rates settled and adjusted.

CHAS. A. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this committee held on Tuesday, the 17th February, 1914. Present:—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Margrett and Waghorne, Councillors Bendall, Haddock, and Merrett (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—Supt. Hopkins reported that with the exception of the premises Granley Road, in the occupation of Mr. A. H. Daft, which were still in quarantine, the Borough was free from contagious disease amongst Animals.

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2—Wart Disease of Potatoes Order, 1914—Read, a letter from the Board of Agriculture enclosing a copy of the Wart Disease of Potatoes Order, 1914. The Order which came into force on the 3rd inst. required the notification of all cases of the disease to the Inspector appointed by the local authority, and also contained provisions for the investigation and prevention of the spread of the disease, etc. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give notice of the Order by means of Posters and Handbills. Resolved also, That Supt. Hopkins be appointed Inspector to carry out the provisions of the Order.

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

4—Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licences—Read, an application from George Ernest Wiggett of Woodford Cottage, Duke Street, for a Licence to drive a Hackney Carriage. Also applications from Alfred Butler, Ivy Cottage, Church Road, James Newman Bruntnell, 28 Sherborne Street, and Daniel

Jenkins of 37 Lansdown Crescent, for Licences to drive Taxi-Cabs, and from the Queen's Hotel Co. for a Licence for A. Martin of 2 Moorend Cottages, Moorend Street. Resolved, That Licences be granted.

5—Fabrics (Misdescription) Act, 1913—Read, a letter from the Home Office enclosing a copy of the Fabrics (Misdescription) Act, 1913 which prohibited the sale of textile fabrics under misleading descriptions in respect of non-inflammability or safety from fire, together with Regulations made by the Secretary of State prescribing the method of testing, etc. The Act came into force on 1st January last and the Secretary of State suggested that the Sanitary Inspectors should be appointed Inspectors to carry out the provisions of the Act. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Public Health Committee to consider this suggestion.

6—Cinematograph Act, 1909—Read, a letter from the President of the British Board of Film Censors suggesting that a condition should be inserted in all Licences granted by the Council under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, that only films passed by their Board shall be exhibited. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to inform the Cinematograph Licence holders of the intention of the Council to insert this condition in the Licences when these are renewed.

7—Municipal Offices—Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give notice of the intention of this Council to terminate the tenancy of the present Municipal Offices on the 29th September next.

8 —Association of Municipal Corporations—Resolved, That the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor be appointed representatives of the Council to attend the Annual Meeting of the Association of Municipal Corporations to be held in London on the 25th April next.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 11th February, 1914—Present Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, and Steel, Dr. E. T. Wilson and Mr. H. Stroud (Councillor Green in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that the Exhibition of Dr. E. A. Wilson's Antarctic Sketches and Water-Colours, which was open from 7th to 29th January was a great success. 21,019 visits were recorded, and over 1,900 Catalogues sold,

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Many of the people visited the Museum as well and the rooms were at times inconveniently crowded.

The Mineral Collection was being arranged in the two new table show cases.

The Greek and Roman bronzes were also being re-labelled and arranged. Several other objects had been temporarily removed.

Four Skulls from Belas Knapp, etc. had been lent by the College Museum. Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the College for the loan.

Resolved also, That the thanks of the Committee be tendered to Mr. Jones for the satisfactory manner in which the arrangements for the Exhibition of the pictures have been carried out by him.

2—Closing of Gallery--Resolved. That the Gallery be closed for two weeks in March for the annual cleaning, etc.

3—Exhibition of Students' Work—An application was received from Mr. Forbes Clarke, the Read Master of the School of Art, for permission to exhibit in the Art Gallery some works of former Students. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, the work to be exhibited for one month.

4 —Collection of Flints, etc.—The Curator reported that Miss Macaulay was willing to sell to the Committee the collection of flints, bronzes, etc., collected by her late father in Antrim, for £12, Dr. E. T. Wilson reported that he, Mr. Bushnell, and the Curator had seen the collection and recommended that the same be purchased for the Museum. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

5—Lantern Slides—Read, a letter from Messrs. Moody, Bell & Son offering a set of 95 lantern slides of Cheltenham, " Past and Present," together with the Manuscript for £2 10s. Resolved, That the Curator be instructed to inspect the slides, and if approved by him, that the same be purchased.

6—Telephone—The Curator suggested that the Museum on the first floor should be connected with his room on the ground floor by telephone, and he submitted an estimate for carrying out the work at £3 7s. 6d. Resolved, That the work be carried out.

E. C. GREEN, Chairman.

MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held On Friday, the 13th February, 1914—Present: Councillors Bendall, Dodwell, Haddock, Merrett, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the Choir).

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from the 1st April, 1913 to the 31st January, 1914, were as follows:-

Receipts ...	422 19 4
	£422 19
Expenses	592 6 8
Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ...	434 0 8 4
	£1030 13 4
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2--Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from the 1st April, 1913 to the 31st January, 1914, were as follows :—

£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Receipts	414 12 3	Expenses	420 7 8
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ...	<u>278 0 8</u>
	£414 12 3		£698 14 4

3—Mineral Waters—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during January last was 689, as compared with 665 for the month of January, 1913. The number of bottles of Concentrated waters sold during January last was 198, as compared with 225 for the corresponding month the previous year.

4—Cricket at Recreation Grounds —The applications received from Cricket Clubs for permission to play at the Recreation Grounds were considered. Resolved, That the applications of the Whaddon United and Templar Cricket Clubs to play at Whaddon Lane Recreation Ground be granted, and that the applications from Martyn's Athletic, Baker Street Institute, and the Junior Imperial and Constitutional League Cricket Clubs to play at the Agg Gardner Recreation Ground be granted. Resolved also, That the conditions on which permission is granted be the same as last year.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 20th February, 1914.—Present Alderman Baker, Councillors Dodwell, Mann, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Stewart and Winterbotham(Councillor Stewart in the chair).

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

2—Grant of Grave Spaces—Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants (No. 4613 to 4624 both inclusive) of the exclusive right of burial referred to therein, which had been purchased.

3—Designs—Resolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz. . Headstones to Graves of Elizabeth Dix, Francois M6tral, and James and Prudence Ballinger. Kerbing to Grave of Martha Salisbury. Memorial Cross to Grave of Emily Elizabeth Bath. Monument to Grave of Sarah B. Brown.

J. STEWART

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 10th February, 1914. Present: Councillors Blakeney, Green, Mann, Merrett, Sawyer, Steel and Wilkins, Messrs. J. R. Claridge, A. Miles, W. J. Moore and E. C. Rogers and Dr. Davies. As a mark of respect to the late Chairman (Alderman Rogers) who died on the morning of this date, it was decided to adjourn the Meeting.

R. OWEN SEACOME,

Town Clerk.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 24th February, 1914. Present: Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Steel, Silk, Wilkins, and Winterbotham (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 24th instant, on the collection of the second instalment of this Rate was read. Amount collected, £21,756 4s. 3d. leaving outstanding £2,956 14s. 7d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 24th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending the 25th proximo, was read. Amount collected, £11,015 15s. 4d. leaving outstanding £2,088 11s. 6d.

3—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that since the last Mooting he had received £500, £150, £1,000, £100, £300, £100, £500, £500, £1,200. £300, £100, £48, £450 and £100 on loan at 3 ¾ per cont. Resolved, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

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

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

Overdrawn on the 27th January last	14,143 2
Paid since that date (including Loans repaid, £1,200)	<u>17,775 0 1</u>
	31,918 2 5
Received since that date (including Loans on Debenture, £14,077)	36,191 2 4
	In Hand 4,272 19 11
being General Accounts	297 10 4
Sinking Fund Accounts	3,880 1 8
"Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts	<u>95 7 11</u>
	4,272 19 11

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 2nd March, 1914, at 3 p.m. Present:

THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen :

WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT

Councillors :

JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY FRANK CHARLES DODWELL EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART PETER PHILIP TAYLOR THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

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1—Death of Alderman Rogers—It was unanimously Resolved, That this Council record their sincere regret at the loss sustained by the death of the late Alderman Colonel Rogers who was five times

Mayor of the Borough, and this Council desire to express their high appreciation of his services to the Town and of his generous support and active interest in all its local institutions and tender their deep sympathy with his widow and relatives in their bereavement.

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

3—Election of Alderman—The Members of the Council entitled to vote and voting delivered to the Mayor, papers signed by them, and the same having been openly read, it appeared that there were 17 votes for Councillor John David Bendall.

The Mayor accordingly declared the said John David Bendall to be unanimously elected Alderman to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Alderman Col. Rogers.

The newly elected Alderman then made his declaration of acceptance of Office.

4—Appointment of Overseers—Resolved, That William Alfred Baker of 60 Marle Hill Parade, Cheltenham, Charles Henry Margrett, of Sandford House, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham, Martin Benjamin Ricketts, of Wortley, Leckhampton Road, Cheltenham, and Robert Steel, of 1 Oriel Terrace, Cheltenham, be appointed Overseers of the Poor for the Parish of Cheltenham, for the ensuing year.

5—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 9th, and 16th February last, be approved and confirmed. 6—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 10th and 23rd February last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following amendments, viz :

(1) That the portion of the Resolution to Minute No. 7, relating to the Trees opposite Pierreville be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

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(2) That the portion of the Resolution to Minute No. 18 re Tenders for Printing and Stationery be referred back for further consideration.

7—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meetings of the 18th and 23th February last, be approved and confirmed.

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

9—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 12th February last, be approved and confirmed.

10--General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 17th February last, be approved and confirmed.

11—Cheltenham Races—Regulation of Traffic, &c.—Resolved, That the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, and Alderman Margrett be empowered to grant such Special or additional licences as they may consider necessary for the convenience of the public on the occasion of the National Hunt Meeting, on the 11th and 12th March, and that the Traffic Regulations now submitted be approved.

12—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 11th February last, be approved and confirmed.

13—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee--Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 13th February last, be approved and confirmed.

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

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

Mayor.

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Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 6th April 1914.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee- held on Monday, the 9th March, 1914—Present: The Mayor, Alderman Margret, Councillors Blakeney, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Report of Farms Sub-Committee—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 9th instant. (Present: the Mayor, Councillors Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair).

Farms Manager's Report—Read, the monthly report of the Farms Manager. The number of Stock on the Farms on the 9th instant, was 20 horses (not including Gat the Depot), 128 head of cattle (including 1 calf), 182 sheep and 27 pigs all doing very well. Since the last Mooting 29 head of cattle had been purchased for £393 10/-, 3 calves had been bred on the Farms and 28 lambs, 9 head of cattle (including 3 calves) had been sold for £82 10/-, 25 tons of marigolds had also been sold.

Annual Stocktaking and Valuation.—Resolved, That the Sub-Committee meet at the Farms on Friday, the 3rd April, for the annual Stocktaking and Valuation.

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

2—Extension of Sewer—Gordon Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that it was necessary to extend the sewer required for taking the drainage of four houses proposed to be erected by Mr. W. Smith in Gordon Road, across private land in the position shewn on the plan submitted. Mr. Smith had made a deposit of £20 to cover the cost of the extension and any compensation payable.

Resolved, That Notices be served on the owners and occupiers under Section 16 of the Public Health Act, 1875, of the intention of the Corporation to lay the sewer.

3—Chairman—At this stage the Slayer vacated the chair and Alderman Margrett was appointed Chairman.

4—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :—Nos. 22 and 32 Sidney Street, 1 and 2 Exmouth Cottages, and Hewlett Cottage, Sidney Street, 3, 4, 13 and Gatacre, Witcombe Place. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

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

6—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 11, 19, 20, 22, 27, 28, 29, and 32 Sidney Street, 1 Hewlett Place, 5, 7 and 10 Witcombe Place.—The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-mentioned dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby, Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

7—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 15 Albion Street. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written-application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains &c, on or belonging to the above-named house were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

42 & 44 Roman Road—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specification of works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved and that notice be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

8—Insanitary Property—11, 17, 18, 19, 22, 24, 28, 29 and 32 Sidney Street, 2 Exmouth Cottages, Sidney Street, and 3, 5 and 7 Witcombe Place—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

9—Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Order—Read, an application from Mr. H. Shoemith, of 11 Severn Hill, Gloucester Road, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk. Resolved, That the applicant be

informed that the Medical Officer of Health considers the premises are unsuitable for this sale of milk.

10—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat as follows :—On the 17th ultimo one hindquarter of beef, on the 24th ultimo, the carcasses and offal of 11 pigs, and on the 9th inst., the carcasses and offal of 7 pigs. (Total weight, 1 ton, 5 cwt. 1 qr.)

11—Annual Report of Medical Officer of Health—The Medical Officer of Health presented his Annual Report. Resolved, That he be authorised to obtain and accept a satisfactory tender for printing 250 copies of the Report.

12—Assistant Inspector and Disinfector—Read, a letter from Mr. W. Townsend, Assistant Inspector of Nuisances and Disinfector, applying for an increase in his wages. Resolved, That his wages be increased from 25/- to 28/- per week.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairmen.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 23rd March, 1914. Present, The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

13—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz Nos. 28 Millbrook Street, Cottage at rear of 5 St. Anne's Terrace, 14 St. Anne's Terrace, 4 Hamilton Place, 2, 3, 5 and 6 Moorend Parade. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

14—Overcrowding at 5 Woodbine Cottages, of Fairview Road, and 1 and 5 Coltham Fields—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same,

15—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 12, 13, 21, 29 and 34 Millbrook Street, 3 St. Anne's Terrace and Cottage at rear of St. America Terrace and 27 Sherborne Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

16—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 1 Battledown Villas, 37 and 38 Winchcomb Street and 9 Albion Street.—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in

such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

17—Insanitary Property—2, 9, 12, 13, 15, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24, 28, 29, 31 and 34 Millbrook Street, 5 St. Anne's Terrace, and Cottage at rear of same, and 27 Sherborne Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Sec. 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

18--House unfit for human Habitation-52, Rutland Street—The Medical Officer of Health made a representation that this dwelling house was in a state so dangerous to health as to be unfit for human habitation and he recommended that the house should be closed. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next meeting and that in the meantime notice be given to the Owner of the premises of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order.

19— Dairies, cowsheds and Milkshops Order—Read, applications from Lewis M. Pearman, of Quarry Croft, Leckhampton, and William O. Cox, of Sandford Mill Farm to be registered as purveyors of milk. Resolved, That the applicants be registered. Read, an application from Ernest F. Winters, of 3 Fairfield Avenue, to be registered as a purveyor of milk. Resolved, That the applicant be informed that the Medical Officer of Health considers the premises are unsuitable for the sale of milk.

20—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat as follows :—On the 10th inst., the carcasses and offal of 3 pork pigs, on the 17th inst., the carcass and offal of a pig, on the 20th inst., the carcasses and offal of 2 pigs, and on the 21st inst., the carcass and offal of 1 pig. (Total weight destroyed, 5 cwt. 8 lbs.)

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

22—Mortuary—The Borough Surveyor reported that the walls of the Mortuary were very damp, which in his opinion was owing to insufficient provision having been made for draining the water falling on to the Railway under which the Mortuary is built. Resolved, That the attention of the Great Western Railway Company be called to the matter.

23—Abattoir—The Borough Surveyor reported that the furnace copper for boiling the water at the Abattoir was defective and required renewing. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up an estimate for providing an additional furnace.

24—Tuberculosis—Read a circular letter from the County Medical Officer of Health with particulars of the scheme for the treatment and prevention of Tuberculosis in the County. Resolved, That the same be referred to the Medical Officer of Health.

25—Humane Slaughtering—Read, a letter from Mrs. Daubeny asking the Committee to receive a deputation from the Cheltenham Branch of the R.S.P.C.A. with reference to Byelaws for Humane Slaughtering. Resolved, That the deputation be received at the next meeting.

26—Housing of Working Classes Acts—The Town Clerk submitted a return asked for by the Local Government Board, giving particulars as to the inspection of houses and housing conditions under Sections 14 and 17 of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909. Resolved, That the particulars asked for be furnished.

27—Fabrics (Misdescription) Act, 1913—The resolution of the General Purposes Committee, asking this Committee to consider the suggestion of the Home Office that the Sanitary Inspectors should be appointed Inspectors to carry out the provisions of the Fabrics (Misdescription) Act and the Regulations thereunder, was considered. Resolved, That Mr. A. H. Hudson (Chief Inspector of Nuisances) be appointed Inspector under the Act.

25—Flooding at Hayden—Time Borough Surveyor reported that he had received a letter from Mrs. Hyett, calling attention to the flooding of cottages at Hayden, belonging to her. He proposed to have the water courses carrying the storm water, etc., cleaned out. Resolved, That this be approved.

20—Sewage Outfall Works—Read, a letter from the Clerk of the Cheltenham Rural District Conic for information as to what was proposed to be done with regard to the disposal of the effluent from the work. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to reply thereto.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 10th March, 1914. Present: Alderman Bendall, Councillors Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the Chair).

1—Street Projections—Read, an application from the Cheltenham Gas Co, for permission to place 2 pavement lamps outside No. 197 High Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the usual conditions. Read, an application from R. T. Adams & Co., to place a Show Case outside Nos. 75 and 76 High Street. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

2—Albion Street—Read, a Memorial from Mr. W. Potts and other residents in Albion Street, suggesting that the tram lines should be removed from their present position and placed in the centre of the road. Resolved, That the Committee be unable entertain this suggestion.

3—Trees near Pierreville, Montpellier—The recommendation that 4 trees opposite " Pierreville," should be removed and 3 acacias planted, referred back by the Council was further considered, and a letter was read from Mrs. Archer, of " Pierreville," asking that the tree opposite her house should be removed. Resolved, That the consideration be adjourned for the Committee to view.

4—Telegraph Poles etc.--Read, a letter from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, suggesting that in order to avoid delay in dealing with the applications of the Post Office for consent to the erection of Telegraph Poles, the powers of the Council should be delegated to this Committee. Resolved, That the Council be recommended to delegate to this Committee authority to give consents to the erection of Poles, &c., required for the purposes of the Telegraph Acts, 1863 to 1911.

5—Tenders for Printing, Stationery, and Drawing Materials—These tenders were further considered. Letters were read from the local Association of Master Printers, and the Cheltenham Typographical Society objecting to the acceptance of the tenders of Mr. G. Hooper and Mr. W. Hayman, on the

ground that they did not comply with the rule of the trade as to apprentices, which only allows one apprentice, " when an employer has fully employed a journeyman for a period of six months." A letter was also read from Mr. Hooper, contending that he did comply with this rule as he was a qualified journeyman, as defined by the rules, and was therefore entitled to have an apprentice. With regard to Mr. Hayman it was reported that he employed one apprentice and also his son who was not qualified as a journeyman. Resolved, That in the opinion of this Committee Mr. Hayman does not comply with the rule as to apprentices, but that Mr. Hooper comes within the rules as there is no provision that an employer who is qualified as a journeyman and works for himself as such, should not have an apprentice.

Resolved, That the following tenders be accepted :—Harvey A Healing, G. F. Poole, J. T. Gillham, Norman, Sawyer & Co., Ltd., Ellams Duplicator Co., Oliver Typewriter Co., G. Hooper, W. W. Bastin, J. A. Reynolds & Co., and T. Hailing, Ltd. (Note.—These tenders are for 3 years from the 1st April, 1914).

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 30th March, 1914. Present: The Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Bendall, and Margrett, Councillors Mann, Merrett, and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

6-Borough Surveyor's monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department (from the 20th February to the 26th March, 1914 (both inclusive) had been as follows:—

Roads coated:—Carlton Street (2,400 sq. yards). Tewkesbury Road (5,010 yards). Roads patched :— Andover Road, Gloucester head, Leckhampton Road, London Road, Old Bath Road, Post Office Lane, and Tivoli Street.

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Electricity Trenches repaired Saints' Road, Bath Road, Evesham Road, Gloucester Road, High Street, Lansdown Parade, Montpellier Terrace (rear of), Naunton Lane, Naunton Park Road, North Place, Pittville Circus Road, Prestbury Road, Priory Street, Queen's Road, Rosehill Street, St. George's Road, St. Margaret's Road, Sydenham Villas Road, and Tivoli Road. Post Office Trenches repaired :—High Street, Lansdown Place, Lansdown Road, and Montpellier Street, Sewer Trenches repaired :— Alstone Croft and Burton Street.

Paving- repairs :—Evesham Road, Lansdown Crescent, Lansdown Place, and St. George's Street. Channelling repaired :—College Baths Road and Hewlett Road, Kerbing repaired :—College Baths Road.

Trees planted :—Christ Church Road, 1 lime ; Imperial Square, 4 birches ; Promenade, 2 chestnuts, 1 plane, 1 lime and 1 Tree of Heaven. Trees pruned :—Christ Church Road and Gloucester Road.

Trees felled :—Christ Church Road, 17 limes; Imperial Square, 1 elm and 2 chestnut ; Promenade, 1 beech, 1 elm, 1 ash, 1 chestnut ; Tewkesbury Road, 1 plane (dead).

Ashes Collection and Disposal :—During five weeks ended the 19th March, 1914-1,002 loads collected, 1,011 consumed, and 21 tipped away. Weight consumed, 1,399 tons, 6 cwts., 2 qrs.

Steam generated :—Hourly average, 5,991 lbs.

7—View Meeting—The following Members attended the View Meeting on Friday last—Alderman Bendall, Councillors Mann, Merrett, and Wilkins.

8—Report of Plans Sub-Committee—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 10th and 27th inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

9—Street Projections—Read, an application from Mr. W. F. Lee for permission to place an electric sign outside Caxton House, Winchcomb Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the usual conditions.

10—Pavement Light—Read, an application from Mr. J. F. Gay for permission to place a Hayward's Prismatic Pavement Light in the footpath opposite No. 236, High Street, in the position shown on the sketch submitted. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the usual Agreement of Indemnity being entered into.

11—Imperial Square Improvement—The Borough Surveyor submitted an estimate for re-paving, kerbing, &c., the footpath opposite Nos. 1 to 13, Imperial Square, from the Promenade to Rodney Road, at a net cost of £150. Resolved, That the same be approved and the work carried out.

12—Motor Car—Read, a letter from Messrs. Hughes and Sons, offering to sell to the Corporation a 16 h.p. Humber Car for £114 net. The Borough Surveyor reported that the cost of hiring the present car was £110 per annum, the Corporation also providing the Chauffeur and paying the cost of insurance. Resolved, That the Council be recommended to purchase the car subject to a month's trial.

13—Passage from St. George's Road to Malvern Road—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. J. Wheale, of High Street, West Bromwich, had issued a summons against the Corporation, and claiming damages, in respect of an accident sustained by him on the 24th September last by colliding with one of the iron posts in the passage from St. George's Road and Malvern Road. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to defend the action, and that he be authorised to instruct Counsel.

14—Trees near " Pierreville," Montpellier—The Committee inspected the trees near " Pierreville." Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the trees well lopped.

15—Trees in Upper High Street—Resolved, That the Committee inspect the trees in Upper High Street at the next view Meeting.

16—Tivoli Road—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up an estimate for widening the footpath in Tivoli Road opposite the Post Office.

16--Prestbury Road—Read, a letter from Mrs. Davis calling attention to the footpath opposite Pittville Villas. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for the Committee to view.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 10th March, 1914. (Present: Alderman Bendall, Councillors Merrett, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins. (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1258	W. Smith	4 houses, Gordon Road.
1262	E. W. Wills	New Scullery, Roseville Lawn, St. George's Road.
1263	Vicar and Churchwardens, St. Mark's Church	New Reading Room at St. Mark's Hall.
1264	A. E. Kearney	New Stable, &c., at Hope Cottage, Arle

Resolved, That Plans No. 1262 be approved, and that Plans No. 1258, 1263 and 1264 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At is Meeting of this Sub-Committee held On Friday, the 27th March, 1914, Present Alderman Bendall, Councillors Merrett and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1258	W. Smith	4 Houses in Gordon Road (amended plans).
1263	Vicar & Churchwardens of St. Mark's	New Reading Room, Rowanfield Road (amended plans)
1265	G. H. Martyn & Sons	Additions to Cambray Spa Studio.
1266	Original Brewery Co.	New Store, Fleece Hotel Yard.
1267	C. F. Dennis	Additions to 13 Ambrose Street
1268	A. Mann	Additions to Lyndon Lodge, Tivoli Place.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1258 be approved subject to an agreement with reference to the proposed sewer, and laying out of the road, being entered into to be prepared by the Town Clerk and to 2 gullies being provided in the road. That plans 1263, 1267 and 1268 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector and that plans No. 1265 and 1266 be approved as shown,

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 25th March, 1914. Present: Alderman Baker, Councillors Rees Jones, Sawyer, Steel and Taylor (Alderman Baker in the chair).

1—Musical Afternoons—Mr. Horace Teague attended the Meeting and reported that it would be necessary to continue the Concerts for another week to complete the 100 Concerts guaranteed to the Subscribers. Resolved, That the Concerts be continued for another week.

2—Montpellier Gardens—Shelter—The Committee considered the following tenders received for the erection of a new shelter at the Montpellier Gardens

R. R. Skemp £220 12 0

A. C. & S. Billings, Ltd. £197 0 0

Collins & Godfrey ... £187 17 0

Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. Collins & Godfrey be approved subject to a contract being entered into to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

3—Summer Concerts—Read, letters from Mr. A. W. Newton with reference to the valuation of the depreciation of the stock used in connection with the Summer Concerts last season and also asking that some allowance should be made to him for the stock destroyed in the recent fire at the Gardens. Resolved, That the sum of £5 be accepted for the depreciation and that the Resolution to Minute No. 2 of this Committee at its meeting on the 18th February last be varied accordingly.

4—Pittville Estate—Trees—Read, a Memorial from Mr. O. J. Williams and other residents on the Pittville Estate asking that the two elm trees at the corner of Wellington and Evesham Roads should not be removed and that the resolution of this Committee at its last meeting should be rescinded.

A letter from Col. Noake of Cleveland House, was also received asking that the trees should be removed as ordered by the Council.

5—Town Band—Read, a letter from the Town Band asking for a subsidy of £6 per week, the Band to be augmented to 9 performers. Resolved, That a grant of £12 be made to the Band, £6 to be payable at the end of six weeks and £6 at the end of 12 weeks, from the 1st proximo, the Band to play three week-days each week during the 12 weeks in the Promenade from 12 noon to 1 p.m.

6—Band on Easter Monday—Resolved, That the Cheltenham Rifle Band be engaged to play in the Promenade Band-stand on Easter Monday, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the usual charge.

7—House Agents' Boards—Read a letter from the Hon. Secretary of the Cheltenham Auctioneers, Surveyors and House Agents Association, stating that a design for a combined House Agents Board had been approved by the Association and that if found suitable the Board would be adopted for general use.

8—Advertising—Read, a letter from Messrs. E. J. Burrow, Ltd., stating that they had arranged for the insertion of an illustrated Article, free of charge, in each of the 15 American Newspapers in which advertisements of Cheltenham would appear. Read, a letter from Messrs. Wills Ltd., offering to reprint the 20 single crown posters exhibited at Great Western Stations free of charge. Resolved, That the offer be accepted and that design be submitted to Messrs. E. J. Burrow Ltd.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 26th March, 1914.—Present Councillors Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith, Taylor, and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he had tested the gas on the 25th instant for illuminating power with the following result, viz.: 14.8 Candles. His test for purity on the 25th instant showed 22 grains of sulphur per 100 Cubic feet.

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

3—Public Lighting—The Borough Electrical Engineer recommended that the scale of charges for public lighting should be revised and that a fixed charge per lamp should be made to cover cost of energy, maintenance, renewals and cleaning, but not including financial charges for interest and sinking fund. He submitted the following scale, viz :—

Arc Lamps—all night £17 0 0 per lamp per annum.

“ half-night 6 10 0 “

Half-Watt Lamps—all night ... 15 0 0 “

“ half-night 5 0 0 “

Small Lamps—all night 2 10 0 “

“ half-night 1 1 0 “

If this scale was adopted the total cost would be £8092 15s. 0d., as compared with £8301 charged for the current year. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

4 —Applications for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received an application from Mr. H. Unwin for a supply to Bryntirion, Gloucester Road. Mr. Unwin had agreed to pay the cost of the extension and the main had been laid, Resolved, That the action of the Borough Electrical Engineer be approved.

5—Lighting of Windsor Street—A complaint was received of flue insufficient lighting of Windsor Street. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to the next View Meeting.

6—Traction—The Chairman reported that he with lize Town Clerk and Borough Electrical Engineer had had an interview with the Representatives of the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Co., with reference to the charge for traction. Resolved, That the Council be recommended to authorise this Committee to obtain expert advice if necessary.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 19th March, 1914.—Present: The Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Bendall, and Margrett, Councillors Green, Sawyer, and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

For 30 days, ended 16th March, 1914 Average for corresponding period
during last 3 years.

Hewletts Springs	281,000 gallons	304,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	908,000 "	1,051,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	<u>107,000</u> "	<u>93,000</u> "
Total	1,296,000 "	1,448,000 "

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
		16th March, 1914.		16th March, 1913.
Hewletts		16,563,000 gallons		17,830,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	26ft. 6in.	72,570,000 "	32ft. 0in.	100,024,000 "
Leckhampton	8ft. 0in.	<u>1,080,000</u> "	<u>empty</u>	
Total Storage		90,213,000 "		117,854,000 "

2—Extension of Mains—Hester's Way—The resolution of the Public Health Committee asking this Committee to consider the question of extending the main to supply the houses at Hester's Way was considered. The Borough Engineer reported that the cost of laying a 4-inch main would be about £450. Resolved, That the extension be made.

Prestbury Lower Mill—Read, a letter from Messrs. Webb Bros., stating that the annual return on the extension of the main to supply Prestbury Lower Mill while used as a Laundry would be £2 10/- and asking the Committee to accept a deposit of £25 instead of £40 towards the cost of the extension (£50) and undertaking, when the premises are not used as a Laundry to deposit the balance of £15, such sums to be returned to them as soon as the annual return from premises supplied from the extension amounted to 10 per cent. upon the outlay. Resolved, That the application be acceded to and that Minute No. 3 of this Committee's proceedings at the last Meeting be varied accordingly.

3—Water Supply to Aston Pamington, and Fiddington, and Walton Cardiff—The Town Clerk submitted draft agreements with the Tewkesbury Rural District Council for the supply of water in bulk for the parishes of Aston, Pamington and Fiddington and Walton Cardiff. Resolved, That the agreements as now settled be approved and that the Common Seal be affixed to engrossments thereof.

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

CHAS. A. MARGRETT,

Chairman .

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 24th March, 1914. Present:—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Bendall, Margrett awl Waghorne, Councillors Green and Merrett (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—Diseases Amongst Animals—Superintendent Hopkins reported an outbreak of swine fever on the 6th instant, at Prospect Villa, Folly Lane, 3 pigs had died and 19 had been slaughtered by order of the Board of Agriculture. Also on the 20th instant an outbreak at Sandfield House, Lower Alstone, 1 pig

had died and 22 had been slaughtered by order .Of the Board. With these exceptions the Borough was free from contagious disease amongst animals.

2—Fire Brigade—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that the Brigade was called to an outbreak of fire on the 22nd ultimo, at Arle Court. Estimated damage, £3000. Brigade expenses, £13 17s. 2d. Also on the 3rd instant to an outbreak of fire at Staverton Court. Damage, £600. Extinction expenses, £8 17s. 0d, Buildings and contents insured in both cases.

3—Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence—Superintendent Hopkins reported that Hackney Carriage Driver, Walter T. Lewis, had been more than twice convicted of offences within 12 months. Mr. Lewis attended before the Committee and was cautioned as to his future conduct.

4—Taxi-Cab Licences—Read, a letter from the Local Manager, Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co., stating that he had obtained 3 more Hackney Carriage Licences and asking that 2 Taxi-Cab Licences should be granted therefor. Resolved, That consideration of the application be adjourned to the Annual Licensing Meeting.

5—Cinematograph Licences—Read, letters from Messrs. Somerald & Co., Poole & Sheraton, and Gillsmiths Ltd., applying for permission to give Cinematograph Performances on Good Friday at the Winter Garden, Albert Hall, Victoria Rooms and the Hippodrome respectively. Resolved, That permission be given on the same conditions as last year.

6—Cheltenham Market—Read, a letter from Mr. Chas. C. Castle, applying for a lease of the Sheds, &c., at the Cheltenham Market (the tenancy of which expires on the 30th Juno next), for a term of 21 years determinable at the end of 7 or 14 years, at the rent of £10 per annum.

A letter was also read from Mr. F. May, stating that a provisional Committee had been formed with a view to a Co-operative Fruit Market being established and asking the Committee to appoint representatives to meet the provisional Committee to discuss the matter. Resolved, That the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Bendall and Margrett and Councillor Green be appointed a Sub-Committee to consider and bring up a report on the matter.

7—Sunday Trading—Road, a further letter from the Cheltenham and District Grocers' Association urging the Council to support the Resolutions passed on the 22nd September at a Conference held in London of Grocers, Butchers, Bakers and Allied Trades, calling attention to the increase of Sunday Trading and asking the Home Office to consider the practicability, either by regulations or by fresh legislation, of limiting the hours of Sunday trading, where in the opinion of the Local Authority, such trading is necessary.

8—Clerk in Town Clerk's Department—Road, an application from Mr. M. C. Taylor, for an increase of salary. Resolved, That his salary be increased from £70 to a maximum of £75 per annum.

9—Town Hall—Read, an application from Dr. Wilkins fur the use of the Supper Room at the Town Hall, on Sundays, the 10th and 26th May, for Theosophical and Vegetarian Lectures. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to a payment of £3 3s. plus lighting for each occasion.

10—Borough Arms—Read, an application from Messrs. Gough & Edwards, for permission to have the Borough Arms inscribed on the door of their new premises, No. 406 High Street. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 11th March, 1914—Present: Como flees Jones, and Steel, Dr. E. T. Wilson and Mr. H. Stroud (Councillor Steel in the chair),

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that there had been 696 visits made to the Art Gallery and Museum since February 11th.

Mr. Harry Clifford, London, had presented a Roman Sword found at Bourton-on-the-Water, and as leaf-shaped Flint Arrow-head found at Condicote.

The four cases containing objects on loan from the South Kensington Museum had been changed for examples of Chinese Porcelain ; Electrotypes of Silversmiths' Work ; Woodwork ; and Embroideries, together with 10 framed Water-Colours of Stained Glass Windows and 6 Oil Paintings.

The Macaulay Collection of Celts, Flints, &c., were being classified and arranged.

The case of Greek and Roman Bronzes had been rearranged and the objects had been mounted on trays.

Miss Dighton, of Fretherne, had presented 6 water colour portraits of Old Cheltenham Celebrities.

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

2—Exhibition of Antarctic Pictures, &c.—Resolved, That the warmest thanks of the Council be conveyed to Mrs. Adrian Wilson for the loan of the Antarctic Sketches and Water Colours made by her late husband, which were on exhibition from the 7th to the 29th January last and for the interest taken by her in the arrangements for the Exhibition.

R. STEEL,

Chairman.

MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 25th March, 1914—Present: Aldermen Baker and Bendall, Councillors Blakeney, Dodwell, Merrett, Silk and Stewart (Alderman Baker in the chair).

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of the Baths from the 1st April, 1913 to the 28th February, 1914, were as follows :—

£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts ... 435 15 5	Expenses	685 14 7
	Interest & Redemption (Proportion)	482 0 0
		£1167 11 7

Swimming Bath—Road, a letter from the Joint Hon. Sees. of the Cheltenham Ladies Swimming Club, asking to be allowed to use the Bath on Mondays and Thursdays, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the reduced charge instead of from 8 to 9 p.m., Resolved, That the application be acceded to and that the Resolution to Minute No. 1 of this Committee's proceedings on the 14th June, 1912, be varied accordingly.

Read, a letter from the Cheltenham United Girls' Clubs for the exclusive use of the Montpellier car Almost Swimming Bath on one night each week. Resolved, That the Committee are unable to accede to the application, having regard to other demands for the use of the Bath.

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School Children—Read, a letter from the Head Master of Leckhampton School asking for permission for the scholars to use the Montpellier Swimming Bath at the same time as the boys from Naunton Park School. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

Read, an application from the Headmaster, Charlton Kings Council School for the use of the Montpellier Swimming Bath for one hour each week for the boys from the Charlton Kings School. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

Yard adjoining Montpellier Baths—Read, an application from Mr. A. H. Ruck, of Cambay Spa, for the use of the covered entrance to the shop adjoining the Montpellier Baths, as a shelter for his motor car. Resolved, That this be granted at a root of 2/6 per week, the tenancy to be determinable by a week's notice.

2—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from the 1st April, 1913 to the 25th February, 1914, were as follows :—

£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Receipts ... 418 14 9	Expenses .165 6 5
	Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ... <u>306 0 0</u>
£418 14 9	£771 6 5

Swimming Bath—Read, an application from the Cheltenham Swimming and Water Polo Club for the use of the Swimming Bath on Monday and Friday Evenings for galas and practice on the same terms as in previous years. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

Read, a letter from Mr. A. Cook of Tunstall, Staffs, for the use of the Swimming Bath, on the 12th May, for a Swimming Exhibition. Resolved. That the application be acceded to subject to payment of 30/- plus lighting.

School Children—The Borough Surveyor submitted draft Rules and Conditions of Competitions for School Children for Swimming and Life Saving. Resolved, That the same be forwarded for the approval of the Education Committee.

3—Recreation Grounds—Grazing—Read, letters from Messrs. Holliday & Page, A. H. & D. D. Downham, and Mr. G. T. Willis, stating that they were willing to continuo the grazing at Agg-Gardner, Naunton Park, and Whaddon Lane, Recreation Grounds at the rent of £8, £7 and £3 respectively. Resolved, That the offers be accepted subject to the same conditions as last year.

Cricket—Read, applications from the Clarence United and Y.M.C.A. (Wednesday) Cricket Clubs for permission to play at the Agg-Gardner and Whaddon Lane Recreation Grounds respectively. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

4-Naunton Park Schools—Read a letter from the Secretary of the Education Committee stating that the Committee had accepted an estimate of £2 17s. 6d. for repairing damage done to the roof of the shed at the Naunton park Schools caused by balls, &c. being thrown from the Recreation Ground, and asking for a contribution of £1 towards the cost. Resolved, That is contribution of £1 be made.

5-Old Cemetery—Read, an application from file. T. Overbury, Churchwarden, for the usual grant of £10 towards the cost of maintaining it portion of the Old Cemetery as an open space for use by the inhabitants in the neighbourhood. Resolved, That £10 be granted.

6—Gifts to Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—The Superintendent reported the gift by the Mayoress of a number of Tennis Bats, for use at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground. Resolved, That the Mayoress be thanked for the gift.

7---Mineral Waters—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during February last was 191 as compared with 126 for the month of February last year, The number of bottles of Concentrated Waters sold during February last was 54 as compared with 52 for the corresponding month 1913.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 27th March, 1914.—Present: Alderman Baker, Councillors &dwel, Mann, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, and Stewart (Councillor Stewart in the chair).

1—Notice Boards—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the Notice Boards at the Cemetery repainted and lettered and placed in more prominent positions.

2—Theft of Ribbon—The Town Clerk reported that on the 25th ulto., some ribbon had been stolen from a grave at the Cemetery by a woman and that proceedings had been taken against her and that she had been sentenced 3 weeks imprisonment with hard labour.

3—Grants of Grave Spaces—Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants (No. 4625 to 4633 both inclusive) of the exclusive right of burial referred to therein which had been purchased.

4—Designs—Resolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz :—Memorial Crosses to graves of Mary Francis. William Henry Churcher, Charles John Travess, Jane Amey, John Fortescue Lloyd, Mary Whateley. Headstones to graves of William Charles Lane and Sarah Smithe. Kerbing to graves of Benjamin Hill, Amelia A. G. Montgomery, Thomas William Stephens and William Bannerman. Tomb to grave of William Hump Partridge.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 17th March, 1914. Present The Mayor, Councillors Blakeway, Green, Mann, Merrett, Sawyer and Steel, Messrs. J. R. Claridge, A. Miles, W. J. Moore and E. C. Rogers and H. Stroud (Councillor Green in the Chair).

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Green be appointed Chairman of this Committee.

2—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts, £3 0s. 7d. Presentations: Calendar of University College of Wales. The number of Volumes consulted in the Reference Library during the 5 weeks ended the 14th March was 1,834 as compared with 1798 last year. The number of volumes issued from the Lending Department was 13065 as compared with 13,232. 9 volumes of books for the blind had been issued during the month.

3—Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 12th instant, present—Councillors Green. and Merrett, Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge (Councillor Green in the Chair). They recommended That the two volumes, "One Hundred Years Work for the Children," and

"The Hundredth Year " offered for us in the Library by the Sunday School Union be accepted.

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That the question of subscribing for the " Century Magazine " be deferred for twelve months.

That Messrs, A. C. Billings & Sons be instructed to do the necessary White-washing, &c., in the Caretakers' apartments at the same time that the Outside Painting at the Library Building is done.

That the 8 volumes of the " Court Magazine," containing numerous coloured authentic portraits of Royal personages and others be purchased at a cost of £2 15s. 0d., out of the Leslie Young Bequest.

The Librarian submitted lists of Worn-out Books, viz: 593 volumes Fiction, and 182 Juvenile Books, and he estimated the cost of replacing the same at about 295.

The Sub-Committee recommended :—

That a first selection from the lists be made to the amount of about £30.

Tenders for Supply of Newspapers, &c.—The Sub-Committee also reported that they had considered the tenders received (2) for the supply of Newspapers, &c., for the ensuing year (1st April to 31st March) and recommended that the tender of Messrs. J. J. Banks & Son (the lowest) be accepted.

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

4—Leckhampton Reading Room—Read, an application from the Hon. Treasurer, Leckhampton Reading Room, for a renewal of the grant of £4 towards their expenses. Resolved, That the grant be made.

E. C. GREEN,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 31st March, 1914. Present: Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Steel, Silk, and Wilkins (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 31st instant, on the collection of the second instalment of this Rate was read. Amount collected, £22,884 5s. 6d. leaving outstanding £1,828 13s. 4d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 31st inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending the 25th instant was read. Amount collected, £12,167 0s. 6d. leaving outstanding £1,446 6s. 2d.

3—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that he had received £350, £55, £2,000, £400 on loan at 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. interest, and £85 at 3 $\frac{5}{8}$ per cent. Resolved. That Debentures be sealed and issued accordingly on account of Sewerage, Promenade and Winchcomb Street Wood Paving and Sewage Disposal Loans.

4-Clerks in the Borough Accountant's Department—Read, applications from Mr. J. Midwinter and Mr. H. Pike, Clerks in the Borough Accountant's Department for an increase of salary. Resolved, That their salaries be increased from £1 to £1 4s, per week, and 10s. to 12s. 6d. per week, respectively.

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

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

In Hand on the 24th February last	4,272 19 11
Received since that date (including Loans on Debenture, £6,828)	<u>17,584 18 9</u>
	21,857 18 8
Paid since that date (including Loans repaid, £1938, and Sinking Funds invested, £2,500)	<u>20,165 17 11</u>
	In hand 1,692 0 9
being General Accounts	825 16
Sinking Fund Accounts	783 4 1
"Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts	<u>83 0 4</u>
	1,692 0 9

J. WAGHORNE.

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 6th April, 1914, at 3 p.m. Present:

THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen:

WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT

Councillors:

JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY FRANK CHARLES DODWELL EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK
JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL STANLEY WYNDHAM JAMIESON ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN
MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH
ROBERT STEEL PETER PHILIP TAYLOR THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM WALTER
JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

Apology. —An apology for non-attendance was received from Councillor Stewart.

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

2—Death of Alderman Winterbotham—It was unanimously Resolved, That this Council record their deep sense of the loss sustained by the Council and the Town of Cheltenham by the death of Alderman James Batten Winterbotham, and tender their warmest sympathy to his Widow and Councillor Winterbotham and other Members of his family in their bereavement.

3—Vacancies on Committees—Resolved, That Councillor Jamieson be appointed a Member of the Town Improvement, the Education, the Public Library and the Art Gallery and Museum Committees to fill the vacancies caused by the death of Alderman Rogers. Education Committee—Resolved, That Mr. William Welstead and the Rev. Canon Jennings be re-appointed members of the Education Committee, their term of office to expire on the 6th February, 1917, and 3rd April, 1917, respectively.

4—Grammar School Governors—Resolved, That Councillor Mann be appointed a Representative Governor of the Cheltenham Grammar School to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Alderman Rogers.

5—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 9th and 23rd March last, be approved and confirmed.

6—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 10th and 30th March last, be approved and confirmed.

7—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 25th March last, be approved and confirmed, and that the Resolution to Minute No. 2 of this Committee's proceedings on the 18th February last re Summer Concerts be varied accordingly.

8—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 26th March last, be approved and confirmed.

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9—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 19th March last, be approved and confirmed, and that the Resolution to Minute No. 3 of this Committee's proceedings on the 12th February last re Prestbury Lower Mill be varied accordingly.

10—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 24th March last, be approved and confirmed.

11—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 11th March last, be approved and confirmed.

12—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 25th March last, be approved and confirmed, and that the Resolution to Minute No. 1 of this Committee's proceedings on the 12th June, 1912, re Swimming Bath be varied accordingly.

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

14—Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 17th March last, be approved and confirmed.

15—Finance Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 31st March last, be approved and confirmed. Resolved also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names. upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

16—Notice of Motion—Councillor Winterbotham gave notice of his intention to move at the next Quarterly Meeting of the Council :— That the Resolution to Minute No. 7 of the Town Improvement Committee of the 25th February last for the removal of two elm trees at the corner of Evesham and Wellington Roads be rescinded.

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17—Memorials, Applications, &c.—Resolved, That the following be referred to the undermentioned Committees, viz.:—

Memorial from E. G. Biggin and others re Gloucester Road Private Improvement Works, to the Street and Highway Committee.

Letter from Dale, Forty and Co. re Annual Performance of British Empire Shakespeare Society, to the General Purposes and Watch Committee.

Mayor.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

MINUTES of the Finance Committee of the Town Council submitted for approval at a Special Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday, the 28th April, 1914.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 21st April, 1914. Present: The Mayor, Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Wilkins and Winterbotham (Alderman Waghorne in the Chair.)

1 —Estimates for Rates—The Estimates for the Borough and District Rates were considered. Resolved, That the same as now settled be approved and submitted to the Council at a Meeting on the 28th instant and if the same are then approved that a Meeting of the Council be held on the 6th proximo to make the General District Rate and Order for the Borough Rate accordingly.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Tuesday, the 28th April, 1914, at 3 p.m. Present:

THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen:

WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL

Councillors:

FRANK CHARLES DODWELL PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN
WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS FEES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK ROBERT STEEL
JAMES STEWART PETER PHILIP TAYLOR THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM
WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

Apologies. —Apologies for non-attendance were received from Alderman Margrett and Councillor Green.

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Finance Committee— Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 21st April instant, be approved and confirmed ; that the Estimates be approved and made accordingly, that a statement of the General District Rate be prepared, that the Owners instead of the occupiers be rated in cases where the rateable value of any premises does not exceed £8 10/-, and that such Owners be assessed in respect of tenements whether occupied or unoccupied, at a reduced estimate of one half.

Mayor.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Quarterly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 4th May, 1914.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 8th April, 1914 : Present--Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Winterbotham and Wood (Councillor Rees Jones in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles --The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-2 and 3 Brooklyn Terrace, New Street, 20 Great Western Terrace, 1 and 20 Hungerford Street, 19 Malvern Street, 46 Brunswick Street, 9 Rutland Street, and 9 York Street Cottages. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2-Overcrowding at 3 Sun Street Retreat and 9 Malvern Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3—Cleansing and Limewashing at 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 Brooklyn Terrace, New Street, 2 York Street Cottages, 27 St. James' Street, 2 Victoria Street, and 6 Montpellier Retreat—The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

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4—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 37 and 39 Montpellier Villas, 8 Suffolk Parade, 6 Montpellier Retreat, and 6 Grafton Terrace—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

5—Insanitary Property--3 and 4 Brooklyn Terrace, 1 Hungerford Street, 57 St. James' Street, 9 Rutland Street, 2 Victoria Street, Norwood Arms, Leckhampton Road, and Noah's Ark, St. George's Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 24th ulto. the carcase and offal of a sheep was surrendered and destroyed as unfit for human food, and on the 27th instant the carcase and offal of a pork pig. (Total weight destroyed, 3 cwt. 3 qrs.)

7—Humane Slaughtering--Col. Yaldwyn, Mr. S. Walter Billings, and Mr. R. O. Paddison attended as a deputation from the Cheltenham and East Gloucestershire Branch of the R.S.P.C.A. and asked that bye-laws should be made requiring all animals to be slaughtered by a humane instrument. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to prepare and submit draft bye-laws for consideration.

8—Report of Farms Sub-Committee--The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 3rd instant—Present The Mayor, Councillors Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair)—and visited the Farms for the annual

Stocktaking and Valuation. They submitted the following Summary :—

Live Stock .. . • . •	£3309 55 0
Hay, Straw, Mangolds, Manure, &c. • •	294 13 6
Acts of Husbandry ..	57 4 9
Implements, Harness, &c.	465 9 11
Shedding, &c. ..	<u>157 13 6</u>
	£4284 16 8

The Sub-Committee also met on the 8th instant. Present Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair).

Farms Manager's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Farms Manager. Since the last Meeting, 3 head of cattle had been purchased for £40 and 42 sheep for £70 7s. (Total purchases, £110 7s.) 3

calves had been bred on the Farms and 23 lambs. 8 head of cattle (including a calves) had been sold for £502 2s.6d., 22 store pigs for £28 16s. 2d., 1 sheep skin for 3/3, and 1 cart horse for £31. 10s. (Total sales. £162 11 11d.) The number of her stock on the Farms on the 8th instant was 59 horses (not including 6 at Depot), 128 head of cattle (including 3 calves), 246 sheep and 5 pigs, all doing very well. Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

T. REES JONES,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 20th April, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Councillors Green, Hanson Powell, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (The Mayor in the chair,.

9—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-4, 5, 7, 8, 12, 17, and 31 Glenfall Street, 1 to 7 Grosvenor Cottages, and 5 Brandon Place. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

10—Overcrowding at 15 St. Paul's Street North- -The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so over-crowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises. Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof requiring them to abate the same.

11—Cleansing and Limewashing at 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 22 and 23 Glenfall Street—The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby, Resolved. That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

12—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 31 and 32 Montpellier Villas—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

13--Insanitary Property-2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 12, 15, 19, 25 and 29 Glenfall Street and 22 and 24 Victoria Place—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

14—Notices not Complied With—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Notices requiring the abatement of nuisances arising from defective pitching, gutters, dirty walls and ceilings, &c., and

the provision of ash receptacles, which had been served but not complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to compel compliance.

15—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction on the 8th inst. of the carcase and offal of a pig and 50 lbs. of beef, unfit for food. (Total weight, 505 lbs.)

16—Housing, Town Planning, etc., Act, 1909—Read, a letter from the Local Government Board enclosing form of Regulations under Section 17 (7) of the Housing, Town Planning, etc., Act, 1909, with reference to the use of underground rooms as sleeping places. The Board suggested that the Council should consider how far such Regulations were needed and asked to be furnished with a report by the Medical Officer of Health on the matter. Resolved. That the Medical Officer of Health submit a report for the consideration of the Committee.

17—National Association for Prevention of Consumption—Read, a letter from the National Association for the Prevention of Consumption and other forms of Tuberculosis, stating that the sixth Annual Conference would be held at Leeds on the 7th and 8th July, and asking that representatives should attend. Resolved, That no representative be appointed.

18—Sewage Disposal Works— Resolved, That the Committee inspect the Sewage Disposal Works on the 6th prox. at 10 o'clock.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE

Chairman.

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STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 6th April, 1914: Present—Aldermen Baker and Bendall, Councillors Mann, Merrett and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

1—Street Projections—Read, an application from the Cheltenham Gas Company for permission to place 2 projecting lamps outside No. 293, High Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions. Read, an application from Messrs. Stibbs and Son for permission to place a hairdresser's pole outside No. 1, North Street. Resolved, That permission be granted subject to the usual conditions.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 14th April, 1914: Present —Alderman Bendall, Councillors Mann, Merrett and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

2--Albion Street Wood Paving- Read, a letter from the Local Government Board enclosing their formal sanction to the borrowing by the Town Council of £1,000 for wood paving Albion Street from Winchcomb Street to North Street, the period for repayment being 15 years.

3--Gloucester Road (from Hope Villa to Lansdown Castle) —Read, a memorial from Mr. E. G. Biggen and others with reference to the private improvement works required to be done by the abutting owners in Gloucester Road from Hope Villa to Lansdown Castle, and asking that the same should be carried out at the cost of the Corporation. Resolved, That the request be not acceded to.

4—Brunswick Street—Read, a letter from Mr. J. Oakey, of Granby Cottage, Brunswick Street, calling attention to the entrance to Brunswick Terrace. Resolved, That the Committee inspect the roadway in front of Brunswick Terrace at their next Meeting and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to repair the entrance thereto.

5—Trees in Pittville Circus Road and Northfield Terrace—Read, letters from Mr. A. W. Gordon-Graham asking that the chestnut tree opposite the entrance to Beechmount, Pittville Circus Road, should be removed. and from Mr. E. L. Jones for the removal of an elm tree opposite No. 17, Northfield Terrace. Resolved, That the letters be referred to the Trees Sub-Committee.

6—Hereford Passage—The Borough Surveyor reported that about 60 ft. of paving in Hereford Passage had been damaged by being carted over during the taking down of some old property. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings against Mr. Rear under Section 42 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889.

7—Moorend Road—Read, a letter from Mr. J. N. Hobbs calling attention to the condition of Moorend Road from Leckhampton Road to Hall Road. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Borough Surveyor.

8—Passage from St. George's Road to Malvern Road--The Town Clerk reported that he had settled the action by Mr. J. Wheale on the terms authorised by the Committee at their last Meeting.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 27th April, 1914: Present—Alderman Bendall, Councillors Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

9—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways--The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 27th March to the 23rd April (both inclusive) had been as follows:-

Road Repaired—Promenade (3,600 square yards). Roads Patched—Grafton Road, Royal Well Lane, Royal Well Place, St. Stephen's Road, and The Park. Roads Tarpainted—Royal Well Lane (1,166 sq. yds.), Royal Well Place (1,888 sq. yds.)

Street Improvement—Imperial Square (proceeding).

Electricity Trenches Repaired—Albion Street, Bath Road, King's Road, Knapp Road, Leckhampton Road, Naunton Park Road, Queen's Road, and St. Paul's Street.

Kerbing Repaired—Promenade.

Channelling Repaired—Montpellier Drive, Marle Hill Parade, and Promenade.

Paving Repaired—Brunswick Street, Hanover Street, High Street, Marle Hill Parade, Promenade, and Sun Street.

Crossings Repaired-2. Manholes Paved Round-2. Water Boxes Paved Round-2. Brick Gullies Renewed-3.

Trees Pruned—College Road, Gloucester Road, Grafton Road, Hewlett Road, High Street, Promenade, St. George's Road, and Wellington Square.

Trees Felled by Committee's Orders—Glencairn Park Road, 8 limes and 1 plane.

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 4 weeks ended the 16th April, 1914, 815 loads collected, 783 consumed, and 32 tipped away. Weight consumed, 1,037 tons 15 ½ cwt. Steam Generated -Hourly average, 6,054 lbs.

10—Report of Plans Sub-Committee—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 14th and 27th inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

11—Pavement Lights—Read, an application from Mr. T. H. Poynton for permission to place 3 Hayward's Prismatic Pavement Lights opposite the King's Hall, North Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual Agreement of Indemnity being entered into.

12--Brunswick Terrace—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to repair the roadway opposite Brunswick Terrace.

13—Slab Factory—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following statement in respect of the Slab Factory for the half-year ending the 26th March last, viz. :—

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Surplus brought forward from 25th Sept., 1913 • • 237 4 4

Sale of Slabs and Kerbs for half-year ended

26th March, 1914

For Corporation Departments .	£163 6 11	
„ Sewage Filters ..	107 2 7 5	
„ Private Improvement Works..	96 17 6	
„ Private Customers ..	<u>59 11 7</u>	
		426 18 7
Value of Cement, etc., transferred to other Departments		30 2 5
Slabs in stock 26th March, 1914, at under cost price..		1370 1 1
Kerbs do. do. including blocks for sewage filters ..		512 18 5
Value of Cement and other materials in stock		
26 th March, 1914.		<u>31 1 5</u>
Total ..		£2608 6 3

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Slabs in stock 25th Sept, 1913, at under cost price.	1474 9 3
Kerbs do. do. including blocks for sewage filters ..	522 5 3
Value of Cement and other materials in stock . 25th Sept., 1913	58 11 5
Wages and materials for half-year ended 26th March 1914	211 16 0
Rates, Taxes and Insurance do. do. (estimated)	12 3 9
Interest and Sinking Fund do. do. (estimated)	120 17 6
Surplus	<u>208 3 1</u>
Total ..	£2608 6 3

Note.—Value of slabs, &c., for street improvements, &c., supplied free of charge up to date: £1418 13s. 8d.

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13— Harp Hill—Read, a letter from Miss Carter, of Cleeve View, suggesting that Refuse Receptacles should be placed near the seats on Harp Hill. Resolved, That the suggestion be not entertained.

14—Tivoli Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted a plan and estimate for widening the footpath, &c., opposite Tivoli Place. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 14th April, 1914: Present—Alderman Bendall, Councillors Merrett, Steel and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
1264	A. E. Kearsey	New stable and loft, Hope Cottage, Arle (amended plans).
1269	H. E. Branch	Summer house and studio at rear of 5, Naunton Park Terrace.
1270	F. H. Collins	Motor house, Ashfield, Bayshill Road.
1271	Rev. Dr. Moore White	Temporary motor house, Shelburne Hall, Lansdown Road.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1264 and 1270 be approved, and that Plans No. 1269 and 1271 be approved as temporary buildings subject to the usual agreement to remove the same on three months' notice being entered into.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Monday, the 27th April: 1914: Present—Alderman Bendall, Councillor Merrett, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan	Name.	Description.
1272	Cheltenham Board of Guardians	Addition to potato store, Workhouse Gardens.
1273	Mrs. E. Hipwood	New conservatory, Gresham, St. George's Road.

Resolved, That the plans be approved. The Building Inspector reported that a new building had been erected at 2, Croft Villas, Croft Street, without plans having been submitted for approval. Resolved, That Notice be given under the provisions of the bye-law to show cause why the building should not be removed.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 22nd April, 1914: Present—Alderman Baker, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Sawyer, Steel and Taylor (Alderman Baker in the chair). 1—Musical Afternoons—The Borough Accountant submitted the following Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure in connection with the Musical Afternoons:-

1ST OCTOBER, 1913, TO 3RD APRIL, 1914.

Expenditure.

Orchestra	460 0 0
Attendants	19 18 6
Vocalists and Artistes	50 5 0
Advertising, Printing and Stationery	57 16 11
Piano Hire and Removals	11 14 0
Hire Winter Garden, &c.	7 11 6
Electric Energy	19 14 6
Plants ..	3 0 0
Fee for use of French Music	3 3 0
Insurance of Orchestra ..	4 1 0
Curtains	2 8 11
Sundry Labour, &c.	<u>4 8 1</u>
	£644 1 5

Income.

Subscriptions:

260 at 10/6	136 10 0
15 at 31/6	23 12 6
2 at 5/-	10 0
Books of Tickets and Donation	7 14 6
11338 Admissions at 6d. ..	283 9 0
Balcony Hire	2 6
Refreshment Rights	15 15 0
Programme Rights	<u>15 0 0</u>
	482 13 6
Balance (Deficit) ..	161 7 11
	£644 1 5

Resolved, That the arrangements for next Season be considered at the June Meeting of the Committee.

2-Summer Concerts—Read a letter from Mr. A. W. Newton enclosing, in accordance with the terms of his lease, a list of the engagements for the coming Season. A letter was also read asking for additional lighting to be provided at the Montpellier Gardens, particularly in the Broad Walk. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

3—Marle Hill Annexe—Read a letter from Mr. H. W. T. Reed, Hon. Secretary of the College Boat Club, complaining of the weeds in the Marle Hill Lake. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to report upon the matter at the next Meeting.

4—Malvern Hill Road—Read a letter from Col. Graham, calling attention to the condition of Malvern Hill Road Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to carry out any necessary repairs.

5 —Advertising-- Read a letter from Mr. J. Hall asking that an advertisement should be inserted in the Travel Handbook for Great Britain, issued by the Franco-British Travel Union. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to. Mr. E. J. Burrow attended and submitted the design for the advertisement in the Daily Mail. Resolved, That the same as now settled be approved.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 23rd April, 1914: Present— Councillors Green, Haddock, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith and Taylor (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that his test of the gas on the 23th instant showed 19 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

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

3-- Applications for Supply:—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received an application from Mrs. Lake for a supply to Drummond House, Pittville Crescent. The cost of extending the main was £8, and the usual guarantee had been given and the main laid. Resolved, That the action of the Borough Electrical Engineer be approved. An application had also been received for a supply to houses in Alstone Avenue. The cost of laying a main the whole length of the street was £60. Resolved, That the main be laid, subject to sufficient applications being received to assure a return of 20 per cent. on the cost.

The Borough Electrical Engineer recommended that a public lighting cable should be laid at the same time at a cost of about £10, and that the four existing gas lamps should be converted to electric lamps, Resolved, That the recommendation should be approved and adopted, and that three months' notice be given to the Gas Company for the removal of the existing lamps. The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received two applications for a supply for driving Electric Motors, and in each case it would be necessary to make an extension of the main to provide the supply. The applicants were willing to repay the cost of the extension by instalments. Resolved, That the extensions be made, subject to the applicants entering into an agreement to repay the cost of the extensions as arranged.

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

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

6—Annual Convention of Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association—Read a letter from the Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association asking the Council to appoint representatives to attend the Annual Conference of the Association to be held in Birmingham from the 15th to the 20th June next. Resolved, That the Chairman of the Committee and the Borough Electrical Engineer be appointed to attend the Meeting.

7--June Meeting of Committee—Resolved, That the June Meeting of the Committee be held on Friday, the 27th instant, instead of on Thursday, the 26th instant,

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 23rd April, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Councillors Green and Merrett (Councillor Green in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 20th April, 1914 during last 3 years.	Average for corresponding period
Hewletts Springs	577,000 gallons	486,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	1,035,000 "	874,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	<u>152,000</u> "	<u>91,000</u> "
Total	1,764,000 "	1,451,000 "

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	Depth	Contents 20th April, 1914.	Depth	Contents 20th April, 1913.
Hewletts		21,865,000 gallons		5,597,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	31ft. 10in.	98,155,000 "	24ft. 0in.	61,265,000 "
Leckhampton	4ft. 0in.	<u>541,000</u> "	8ft 6in.	<u>1,099,000</u> "
Total Storage		120,561,000 "		67,961,000 "

2-Gloucestershire Agricultural Show, June 17 and 18---Resolved, That a supply of water be given to the Show Ground free of charge as on previous occasions.

An application was also received from the Hon. Local Sec., R.S.P.C.A., for a standpipe to be erected outside the Show Ground. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

3—Arrears of Water Rate —The Town Clerk submitted a list of Water Rate Arrears. Resolved, That proceedings be taken for recovery of the amounts outstanding, and that the supply be discontinued.

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

E. C. GREEN,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 21st April, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Waghorne, Councillors Green, Haddock, Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—Diseases of Animals Acts—Supt. Hopkins reported an outbreak of swine fever on the 27th ulto. at Brighton Gardens, Alstone. 1 pig had died and 11 had been slaughtered by order of the Board of Agriculture. Also on the 31st ulto. an outbreak at Swindon Road Gardens. 2 pigs had died and 2 had been slaughtered. And also on the 3rd instant an outbreak at the North Ward Allotments; 4 pigs had died and 7 had been slaughtered. The Town Clerk reported that the Board of Agriculture had issued an Order declaring the Borough a Swine Fever Infected Area for the purposes of the Swine Fever (Regulation of Movement) Order, 1908, and that the Order came into force on the 53th instant.

2--Fire Brigade Sub-Committee—Resolved, That Councillor Green be appointed a member of the Fire Brigade Sub-Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Alderman Rogers.

3—Report of Captain--The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that the Brigade was called to an outbreak of fire on the 29th ulto. at No. 543, High Street. Damage, £5. Brigade expenses, £3 8s. Also on the 13th instant to an outbreak at the Crescent Bakery. Damage, £7. Expenses, £2 3s, Also to an outbreak on the 18th instant at 97, Winchcomb Street. Damage, nil. Brigade expenses, £2 13s. 6d.

4—Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence— Read, an application from Herbert Hulond Salter, of 59, Roman Road, for a licence to drive a motor omnibus. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

5—Wheelchair Licence—Read, an application from C. Lediard, of 4, Llandudno Villas, Lypiatt Street, for a licence to ply for hire a wheelchair. Resolved, That a licence be granted.

6—Annual Inspection and Licensing of Hackney Carriages—Resolved, That the Annual Inspection of Hackney Carriages be held at the Central Depot on Friday, the 29th May, at 9-30 a.m., and the Annual Licensing Meeting of the Council at the Depot on Friday, the 5th June, at 10-30 a.m.

7—Alexandra Day--Read, a letter from the Alexandra Day Committee stating that it was again proposed to decorate the town on Alexandra Day (June 26th), and asking for the use of the bunting, shields, Sic., belonging to the Corporation. Resolved, That the application be acceded to on the same conditions as last year, viz., any damage done to the materials, &c., to be made good by the Committee.

8—National Reserve--Read, a letter from Colonel Sturges asking for a grant towards the Miniature Rifle Range provided in Great Western Road. Resolved, That the Committee are unable to make any grant.

9— Grammar School Governors—Resolved, That the Council be recommended to appoint the Deputy Mayor (Alderman Waghorne) a Representative Governor of the Grammar School to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Alderman Winterbotham.

10—Cleave Common Conservators—Resolved, That the Council be recommended to appoint the Mayor (Alderman Skillicorne) a representative of the Council on the Board of Conservators to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Alderman Winterbotham.

11—Town Hall—Read, an application from Mr. J. Allcott asking that a temporary dramatic licence may be obtained for the Town Hall for the 14th prox., to enable a sketch to be performed. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to apply to the Justices for a temporary licence,

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12. -British Empire Shakespeare Society Read, a letter from the Chairman and Hon, Sec. the Local Branch of the British Empire Shakespeare Society stating that it was Proposed to arrange for the British Empire Shakespeare Society's Annual Performances to be held in Cheltenham during the week commencing the 19th October, and asking the Council to make a contribution to the Guarantee Fund to be raised by the Local Branch. Resolved, That a contribution of £21 be made.

13—Chairs—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. Poynton, of the King's Hall, had offered 400 chairs at 2/6 each. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to purchase 200 chairs for use at the Town Hall, subject to the chairs being equal to the sample submitted.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 15th April, 1914: Present—Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Green, Taylor and Steel and Mr. G. Dimmer (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—Curator's Report--The Curator reported that 519 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum since the 11th ulto.

Mr. R. P. Wild had now completed the naming and classifying, of the Shells.

Mrs. Maslin, of Stratford-on-Avon, was having a Show Case made for the exhibition of the collection of China, Sheffield Plate, &c., presented by her in July last.

Mr. W. H. Stallard, of Clarence Street, had offered an old water colour painting of High Street for £2.

Mr. Udall, of Charlton Kings, had offered on loan 3 Paintings.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to oh, donor and lender and that the water colour painting of High Street be purchased.

2-Collection of British Birds—The Curator reported that Mr O. H. Wild, of Applegarth, had a collection of British Birds which he was willing to classify and present to the Museum, and that he had also offered to go on adding to the collection, which he hoped to complete within 3 years, if the Committee would grant him a sum not exceeding £10 per annum to cover his out-of-pocket expenses. Resolved, That the offer be accepted

3—Baron de Ferriere's Collection—The Curator reported that nurse of the pictures in the De Ferriere's Gallery required repairing, and that others required attention. Resolved That he be authorised to obtain an estimate for carrying out the work for consideration at the next meeting.

4—Annual Report Resolved, That Tenders be invited for printing the Annual Report

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 22nd April, 1914: Present—Alderman Baker, Councillors Dodwell, Haddock, Merrett, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the chair).

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths from the 1st April, 1913, to the 31st March, 1914, were as follows :—

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts	456 5 9	Expenses	720 1 5
		Interest and Redemption	<u>527 4 0</u>
			£1247 5 5

Swimming Bath—Read, an application from Miss Welch, of St. Mary's Ball, for the exclusive use of the Swimming Bath on Thursday afternoons from 2-30 to 4-30, as in previous years, subject to the purchase of 80 tickets for each occasion. Resolved, That the application be granted.

2--Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths from the 1st April, 1913, to the 31st March, 1914, were as follows :—

£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Receipts	461 12 10	Expenses	479 17 6
		Interest and Redemption	334 7 11
		New Floor (Balance)	38 0 0
£461 12 10			£852 5 5

3—Mineral Waters--The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during March last was 877 as compared with 827 for the month of March last year. The number of bottles of concentrated Water sold during March last was 132 as compared with 216 for the corresponding month 1913. The Town Clerk submitted Draft Agreement with the United Chemists Association, Ltd., for taking a supply of water for concentration, bottling and sale as an Aperient Water. The Agreement was subject to the sanction of the Local Government Board being obtained to a loan for the cost of the necessary pumps and pipe line, and contained the following terms :—

1. The Corporation to pump and deliver into a tank to be provided by the Company at their factory at Priory Court a supply of Mineral Water from a well situate in Eldorado Road near "Fieldholm," which also draws water from a well at St. Florence, Eldorado Crescent, and a well at Fulshaw Lodge.
2. The Agreement to continue for 25 years with an option for the Company to renew for a further term of 25 years.
3. The Corporation in the first place to install pumps at the Fieldholm well and provide a pipe line therefrom to the Company's premises at Priory Court. The Corporation also to install pumps at either or both of the other two wells and provide pipe lines therefrom if and whenever it may be necessary to do so for supplementing the supply obtainable from the Fieldholm well.

4. The Corporation to maintain and keep the pumps and pipe line in repair and take all reasonable precautions to keep the wells free from contamination.

5. The Corporation to discontinue the concentration now carried on, as soon as the Company are in a position to begin concentration under this Agreement, and not to let or permit any other Company, or person to concentrate any mineral water from wells now or hereafter to become the exclusive property of the Corporation.

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6. The Company to take a supply of not less than two,000 gallons a year and pay for all water supplied at the rate of one farthing per gallon, based on the water having a specific gravity of not less than 1003, but if at any time the specific gravity shall be less than 1003, the Corporation to provide free of charge such additional quantity as may be required to make up the difference between the quantity of Aperiens Water obtainable from the water supplied and the quantity which would have been obtainable if the specific gravity had been 1003.

7. The Company not to require delivery of less than 2000 gallons at a time and to give 12 hours notice of pumping required.

8. The Company to install an evaporating plant, &c., at their premises and keep same in repair and use their best endeavours to develop the sale of the Aperiens Water.

9. The Company to supply all local Chemists with the Aperiens Water at 25 per cent. under the retail price.

10. The Company to send out with each bottle leaflets or other similar advertising matter supplied for the purpose by the Corporation.

11. The Company to have the right to use the Borough Arms in connection with the sale of the Aperiens Water.

12. The Company not to assign the Agreement without consent of the Corporation unless unreasonably withheld.

13. Power to determine the Agreement by Corporation in default of payment of account, &c.

14. Arbitration clause.

The Borough Surveyor estimated that the cost of providing and installing pumps at the Fieldholm well and of providing and laying the necessary pipe line to enable delivery of the water to be made therefrom to Priory Court would be £1,000.

Resolved, That the Agreement be approved and that the Common Seal be affixed thereto, and that application be made to the Local Government Board for their sanction to a loan of £1,000 for the cost of the pumps and pipe line.

The Town Clerk also submitted Draft Agreement with the Rotunda Co., Ltd., by which the Rotunda Co. released for so long as the Agreement with the United Chemists Association should subsist all claim to use any of the three wells mentioned for obtaining a supply of water for concentration, and the Corporation released the Rotunda Co. from all claim to pay any portion of the cost of maintaining the wells, but the Agreement contained a proviso that nothing therein should be deemed to release the claim of the Rotunda Co. to obtain a supply of water from the said three wells for drinking in its natural state.

Resolved, That the Agreement be approved and that the Common Seal be affixed thereto.

The Town Clerk also submitted Agreements with the owner of St. Florence and the owners of Fulshaw Lodge containing arrangements for installation of pumps and pipe line for obtaining a supply of water direct from the said wells if and when it shall become necessary. Resolved, That the Agreements be approved and that the Common Seal be affixed thereto.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 24th April, 1914: Present—Councillors Dodwell, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel and Stewart (Councillor Stewart in the chair).

1—Grants of Grave Spaces—Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants (No. 4634 to 4640, both inclusive) of the exclusive right of burial referred to therein which had been purchased.

2—Designs—Resolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz :—Memorial Crosses to graves of Henry Morton, Edmond McGildowny Hope Fulton, and Robert Randolph Barton ; Headstones to graves of Charles Augustus William Price and Mary Clarke ; Kerbing to grave of George William Adams.

J. STEWART, Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 14th April, 1914: Present—Councillors Green, Jamieson, Mann, Merrett, Steel and Wilkins, Messrs. W. Cresswell, J. R. Claridge and E. C. Rogers (Councillor Green in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts: £9 3s. 6d. Presentations : J. Sawyer (33 vols.), E. O. Wathen (2 vols.), E. Boyer Brown (1 pamphlet), Mrs. Maclean (1 vol.)

The number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library from the 16th March to the 11th April (both inclusive) was 1,339 as compared with 1,487 last year. The number of volumes issued from the Lending Department was 10,655 as compared with 9,710. 7 volumes of Books for the Blind had been issued during the month.

2—Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 9th inst. Present Councillors Green and Merrett, Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge (Councillor Green in the chair).

They recommended

That the wages of A. C. Dodwell, junior assistant, be advanced from 6/- to 8/- per week.

That "The Lady" be added to the list of periodicals already taken.

That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to Mr. John Sawyer for his gift of 33 bound volumes of the "Cheltenham Examiner" from 1839 to 1873 and 1881-2, and the "Evening Press," November 21st to December 21st, 1885.

That Whitaker's History of Richmondshire, 2 vols., and Thoresby's History of Leeds, 2 vols., 4 volumes folio, be purchased for the sum of £7 15/- out of the Leslie Young Bequest. That the Librarian be authorised to go to London to select New Books to the amount of about £25. Resolved, That the recommendations be approved and adopted.

3—Annual Report Resolved, That the Librarian be authorised to obtain Tenders for printing the Annual Report.

E. C. GREEN,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 28th April, 1914: Present—Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Steel and Wilkins (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 28th inst.. on the collection of the second instalment of the General District Rate, made on the 8th May, 1913, was read. Amount collected, “22,893 1s. 9d. Voids, legally excused, allowances. &c., £1,837 11s. 1d. Leaving outstanding, £52 6s. 1d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 28th inst., on the collection of this rate for the half year, made the 25th March last, was read. Amount collected, £12,169 0s. 6d. Leaving outstanding, £1,513 17s. 2d.

3—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that he had received £1,000, £300, £100, £100 and £400 on loan at 3 ¾ per cent. Resolved, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of authorised loans. He also reported that he had arranged for the continuance of loans of £5,000, £900, £400, £250 and £200, the terms for which would shortly expire, at 3 ¾ per cent. Resolved, That the Debentures be endorsed accordingly.

4—Cancellation of Corporation Stock—The Borough Accountant reported that in pursuance of the instructions given him he had purchased £.92 4s. 3d. Cheltenham Corporation Stock at 75 ½ per cent Resolved, That the sum of £92 4s. 3d. Cheltenham Corporation Stock purchased by means of the Loans Fund of the Cheltenham Town Council, and which now stands in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Cheltenham, be extinguished, and that the National Provincial Bank of England Ltd., the Registrars of the said Stock, be and they are hereby authorised and requested to cancel and extinguish the same in the books kept by them relating to the said Stock, and that the Common Seal be affixed to a duplicate of this Order, and that such duplicate be forwarded to the said Registrars.

5—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last Meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer, The Treasurer's Accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following was the General Statement:—

In hand on the 31st March last	1,692 0 9
Received since that date (including Loans on Debenture, £1,500)	<u>6,331 7 5</u>
	8,023 8 2
Paid since that date	<u>9,108 7 5</u>
	Overdrawn 1,084 19 3
being General Accounts	1,922 15 4

less Sinking Funds Accounts	In hand	752 8 3
" "Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts	do.	<u>85 7 10</u>
		<u>837 16 1</u>
		1,084 19 3

J. WAGHORNE,
Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 4th May, 1914, at 3 p.m. Present:

THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen :

WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT

Councillors :

FRANK CHARLES DODWELL EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL STANLEY WYNDHAM JAMIESON ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART PETER PHILIP TAYLOR THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

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1—Minutes of Previous Meetings—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meetings of the Council on the 6th and 28th April last having been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2—Election of Alderman—The Members of the Council present entitled to vote and voting, delivered to the Mayor papers signed by them, and the same having been openly read, it appeared that there were 8 votes for Richard Davies, Esq., M.D., of Pulteney House, Cheltenham, and 6 votes for Councillor Robert Steel. The Mayor accordingly declared the said Richard Davies to be elected Alderman to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Alderman Winterbotham.

3—Vacancies on Committees—Resolved, That Alderman Davies be appointed a Member of the Town Improvement and Art Gallery and Museum Committees. Education Committee—Resolved, That Mr. Alfred Miles be re-appointed a member of the Education Committee, his term of office to expire on the 4th May, 1917.

4—Employees' Outing Committee—Resolved, That the following Members of the Council be appointed the Employees' Outing Committee for the ensuing year, viz. : The Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Bendall and Margrett. —Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 8th and 20th April last, be approved and confirmed.

6—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 6th, 14th and 27th April last, be approved and confirmed.

7—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 22nd April last, be approved and confirmed.

8—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 23rd April last, be approved and confirmed.

9—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 3rd April last, be approved and confirmed.

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

11—Cleeve Common Conservators—Resolved, That the Mayor (Alderman Skillicorne) be appointed a Representative of the Council on the Cleeve Common Board of Conservators to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Alderman Winterbotham.

12—Grammar School Governors—Resolved, That the Deputy Mayor (Alderman Waghorne) be appointed a Representative Governor of the Cheltenham Grammar School to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Alderman Winterbotham.

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

14—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 22nd April last, be approved and confirmed.

15—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 24th April last, be approved and confirmed.

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

17—Finance Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 28th April last, be approved and confirmed. Resolved also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

18—Pittville Estate—Trees—Councillor Winterbotham moved, in accordance with the Notice given at the last Monthly Meeting of the Council, and it was Resolved, That the Resolution to Minute No. 7 of the Town Improvement Committee of the 25th February last for the removal of two elm trees at the corner of Evesham and Wellington Roads be rescinded.

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19—Notices of Motion—Councillor Stewart gave Notice of his intention to move at the next Monthly Meeting of the Council :—That all horses in the employ of the Corporation 12 years old and over, and certified by a Veterinary Surgeon as permanently unfit for work, be destroyed.

Councillor Taylor also gave Notice of his intention to move at the next Monthly Meeting of the Council :—

(1) That this Council do consider the advisability of inviting offers from private persons or from companies for taking over the Montpellier Baths from this Corporation.

(2) That a Statement be presented shewing a full and detailed account of all petty cash expenses incurred by the heads of the various departments and charged to the Corporation accounts—from April 1st, 1913, to March 31st, 1914.

Mayor.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Wednesday, the 6th May, 1914, at 3 p.m. Present ..

THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen :

RICHARD DAVIES CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL

Councillors:

JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY FRANK CHARLES DODWELL WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES
EDWIN CHARLES SILK ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS

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1—Borough Rate—Resolved, That it appearing to the Council that the Borough Fund of the Borough is insufficient for the several purposes to which the same is applicable under the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882, or otherwise by law, and it having been by the said Council estimated, as correctly as may be, that the sum of Thirty-one Thousand Five Hundred Pounds will, in addition to the Borough Fund, be sufficient for those purposes, including therein the expenses of carrying into execution the Public Libraries Act, for the period ending the 31st March next, it is Ordered by the Council that a Borough Rate be now made upon all the property rateable to the poor within the said Borough for the purpose of raising the said sum, and for that purpose there shall be assessed, and the Council do hereby assess upon the Parish of Cheltenham, which is co-extensive with the said Borough, and the rateable value of the property lying therein, the said sum of £31,500, and it is further Ordered by the said Council in pursuance of the said Statute that the Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish of Cheltenham do and they are hereby required to pay the said sum of money assessed upon the said Parish out of the Poor Rates made and collected, or to be made and collected, within the said Parish, and it is further Ordered that the said Overseers shall pay the said sum assessed upon the said Parish in manner following, that is to say, by eight instalments, viz., £3,000 forthwith, £4,000 on or before the 20th day of June next, £3,000 on or before the 20th day of July next, £5,750 on or before the 20th day of August next, £3,000 on or before the 20th day of October next, £4,000 on or before the 20th day of November next, £3,000 on or before the 20th day of December next, and £5,750 on or before the 20th day of January next, to the Treasurer of the said Borough, at Lloyds Bank, Cheltenham. And it is further Ordered that if such Overseers shall neglect

or refuse to pay the said sum then the said Treasurer shall forthwith take or cause to be taken such further proceedings as the law directs.

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2-General District Rate—Resolved, That a General District Rate under the Public Health Act, 1875, and the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, of Three Shillings and Seven pence in the pound on the property assessable thereto be now made, and ordered to commence and be payable at the times following, that is to say, one moiety or half part thereof forthwith, and the other moiety or half part thereto to commence and be payable on the first day of October next, and that the same be collected accordingly, and that the Town Clerk do publish such rate according to law.

Mayor.

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Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Tuesday, the 2nd June, 1914.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 11th May, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Wood and Winterbotham (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles —The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-33 Cleaveland Street, 1 and 2 Limerick Cottages, Waterloo Street, Cottage rear of 5 St. Anne's Terrace, 1 and 10 Denmark Villas. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction AS may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2- Overcrowding at 11 Sherborne Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be seed on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 32 and 33 Cleaveland Street, 2 Limerick Cottages, Waterloo Street, Cottage rear of 5 St. Anne's Terrace, 2, 10 and 19 Denmark Villas—The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

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4—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 28 and 29 Montpellier Villas, 30 Suffolk Parade, A3hIirriam Cottage, Moorend Crescent, 5 and 6 Croft Street—The Inspector of Nuisances having made smitten application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-stained houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to

health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

5—Insanitary Property— 32 and 33 Clevelevand Street, 1 and 2 Limerick Cottages, Waterloo Street, 12 Winchcomb Street, 5 and 6 Witcombe Place, 5 St. Anne's Terrace and Cottage at rear— The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance Or Injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat as follows :--On the 24th ulto, 2 bacon pigs, on the 28th ulto. 1 pork pig, on the 29th ulto 2 pork pigs, on the 5th inst. 4 pork pigs, and on the 6th inst. 6 pork pigs. (Total weight destroyed, 1 ton, 3 cwt. 12 qrs., 11 lbs.)

7—Foot and Mouth Disease—Read, a circular letter from the Local Government Board asking that Medical Officers of Health and Inspectors of Nuisances should exercise the strictest vigilance in the supervision of abattoirs, slaughter-houses and places where meat is deposited, prepared or exposed for sale, with a view to the detection of the foot and mouth disease. Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health and Inspector of Nuisances be instructed accordingly.

8—Sewage Disposal Works— The Committee met on the fish instant—Present: The Mayor, Councillors Hanson Powell, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (The Mayor in the chair)—and inspected the new outfall works.

9— Report of Farms Sub-Committee—The Farms Sub-Committee met on the 11th May. Present The Mayor, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair).

Farms Manager's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Farms Manager. Since the last Meeting, 20 sheep and 24 lambs had been purchased for £57 and 2 calves for £5 18s. 0d. (Total purchases, £62 18s. 0d) 22 calves, 12 lambs and 10 pigs had been bred on the Farms. 27 head of cattle (including 8 calves) had been sold for £337 6s. 3d., 10 ewes and 1 fat lamb for £30 4s. 1d., 1 sow for £8 6s. 11d., and 1 cart horse for £51 10s. (Total sales, £427 7s. 3d.) The number of livestock on the Farms on the 11th inst. was 17 horses (not including 6 at Depot), 292 sheep, 121 head of cattle, and 14 pigs, all very well except one heifer. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to call the attention of Mr. Mason to the damage being done to the thatched roof of the cottage occupied by hint at Hayden by his pigeons.

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

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 18th May, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Hanson Powell, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

10—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-36 and 38 Winstonian Road, 10 Victoria Place, 53 Queen Street, Chargrove Cottage, Gloucester Road, and 127 Tewkesbury Road. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

11—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 2, 7, 8 and 9 Providence Square, 16 Victoria Street, 3 Worcester Street, Chargrove Cottage, Gloucester Road, and 127 Tewkesbury Road—The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby, Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

12-Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 3 Suffolk Parade, 6, 37 and 39 Montpelier Villas, 61, 62, 63, 64 and 65 Winchcomb Street, and 12 Warwick Place—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

13--Insanitary Property-38 and 50 Winstonian Road, 10 and 24 Victoria Street, 3 Worcester Street, Chargrove Cottage, Gloucester Road, and Norwood Arms, Leckhampton Road—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

14—Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Order—Read, an application from Mr. Arthur John Lloyd, of 27, Tivoli Street, to be registered as a purveyor of milk. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

15—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction on the 14th inst. of a small pork pig, and on the 18th inst. of 44 lbs. of beef, unfit for food. (Total weight destroyed, 1 cwt. 9 lbs.)

16—Bye-Law as to Spitting--Resolved, That the following draft Bye-Law be submitted for the approval of the Home Office, viz. :-

" No person shall spit on the floor, side or wall of any public carriage, or of any public hall, public waiting room, or place of public entertainment, whether admission thereto be obtained upon payment or not, or on any paved footpath in the Borough.

" Any person offending against the foregoing Bye-Law shall be liable to a penalty of not exceeding Forty shillings."

17—Public Convenience, Leckhampton Road Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Cheltenham and District Trade and Labour Council calling attention to the need of a Public Convenience in Leckhampton Road near to the Tramway terminus. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting.

18- Land adjoining Leckhampton Road Read, a letter from the Secretary, Cheltenham and District Trade and Labour Council, with reference to the condition of the land adjoining the Cheltenham South Station. Resolved, That the attention of the Owners of the land be again called to the nuisance complained of.

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19—Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a report recommending that regulations should be made with reference to the use of underground rooms as sleeping places, as suggested by the Local Government Board. Resolved, That the Town Clerk and the Medical Officer of Health be instructed to prepare and submit draft regulations for consideration.

20— Delancey Hospital—Read, a letter from the Charity Commissioners enclosing draft of the proposed Scheme for the future management of the Delancey Hospital. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the Charity Commissioners with reference to the alterations suggested by the Committee.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held On Tuesday, the 12th May, 1914: Present- Aldermen Baker and Bendall, Councillors Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

1-- Telegraph Poles, Church Road---Read, an application from the Superintending Engineer, P.O. Telegraphs, for permission to place 3 poles in the lane at the rear of Church Road, Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the exact positions of the poles being approved by the Borough Surveyor and to 6 feet of painted lagging being placed round the base of each pole.

2—Collum End Road—Read, a memorial from Miss Mann and others calling attention to the footpath in Collum End Road. Resolved, That the Committee view the footpath at the next View Meeting.

3—Montpellier Terrace— Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the channelling in Montpellier Terrace renewed.

4—Classification of Roads—Read, a letter from the Road Board stating that they had under consideration the question of preparing a detailed schedule of all the public roads in England and Wales (excluding the County of London and County Boroughs), divided into 3 classes, according to the relative importance of each class, for traffic purposes, with a view to its use as an aid in the selection of works of road improvement towards which grants should be made out of the Road Improvement Fund, and that they had been requested by the Local Government Board to frame the proposed classification on such lines that it could also be used as a basis for grants in aid of maintenance expenditure from the National Exchequer. The Board asked to be furnished with a list, accompanied with a map, of the roads in each highway area with proposals for classification, and also a census of traffic at prescribed points Resolved, That the Board be informed of the intention of the Corporation to make proposals for the classification of the following roads, viz. :—Tewkesbury Road, High Street and London Road, Gloucester Road, Lansdown Road and Promenade, Bath Road and Leckhampton Road, Shurdington Road, St. George's Road, Clarence Street, Manchester Street and St. James' Square, Queen's Road, Evesham Road, Portland Street and Pittville Street, Prestbury

Road and Winchcomb Street, Cemetery Road, Hale's Road and Old Bath Road, Hewlett Road and Hewlett Street, Montpellier Terrace and Sandford Road, Suffolk Road and Thirlestaine Road, Andover Road and Painswick Road ; and that a list of the points at which it is proposed to take a traffic census be also forwarded to the Board.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 25th May, 1914 : Present—Aldermen Bendall and Margrett, Councillors Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chairs.

5-- Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 24th April to the 21st May (both inclusive) had been as follows :—

Roads Repaired—Arle Road (1,350 sq. yards), Lansdown Road (proceeding).

Roads Patched—Charlton Lane, Keynsham Road, Old Bath Road, Queen's Parade.

Electricity Trenches Repaired—Hewlett Street, High Street, Priory Street.

Public Street Improvements (proceeding)—Imperial Square, Clarence House corner.

Paving Repaired—Lansdown Road, Russell Terrace.

Kerbing Repaired—High Street, Lansdown Road. Crossings Repaired—2.

Roads Tarpainted—Christ Church Road, Clarence Parade, Clarence Street, Crescent Parade, Crescent Terrace, Great Norwood Street, Lansdown Place, Manchester Street, Norwood Road, Painswick Road, Queen's Road, Royal Well Lane, St. George's Road, Shurdington Road, Suffolk Parade, Suffolk Road.

Water Pillar Stand Repaired—1. New Gullies Fixed--13.

Trees Pruned—Andover Road, Eldorado Crescent, Eldorado Road, Glencairn Park Road, Gloucester Road, Imperial Square, Lansdown Road, Leckhampton Road, Malvern Road, Moorend Park Road, Montpellier Street, Orrisdale Terrace, Tewkesbury Road, The Park.

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 4 weeks ended the 14th May, 1914, 857 loads collected, 835 consumed, and 32 tipped away. Weight consumed, 971 tons 14 cwts. 2 qrs.

Steam Generated -Hourly average, 6,145 lbs.

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

7—Report of Plans Sub-Committee—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 12th and 22nd inst. Resolved, That Plan No 1274 be approved, the further information required by the Sub-Committee having been supplied, and that with this exception the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

8—Street Projections—Read, an application from Mr. H. R. Winning, of 2, Portland Place, for permission to place a Red Cross Emergency Cabinet outside the Full Moon Hotel, High Street, as shown on the sketch submitted. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

9--Dean Close School—Drainage of Playing Field—Read, an application from the Rev. Dr. Flecker for permission to drain a portion of the Dean Close Playing Field into the surface water drain in Shelburne Road. Resolved, That this be agreed to.

10—Sydenham Road North—Read, a letter from Mr. W. H. Horsley, calling attention to the Traction Engine Traffic along Sydenham Road North and to the nuisance caused by the dust. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the road tar painted.

11—Hatherley Road-- Read, a letter from Mr. J. H. Evans, of Harrington House, Hatherley Road, with reference to the condition of Hatherley Road from Hatherley Brake to Shelburne Road. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to report upon the matter at the next Meeting.

12-Rooks-Read, a Memorial from Mrs. Newman and others, complaining of the nuisance caused by rooks in the trees in the Promenade, and asking that the same should be removed. Resolved, That no actions be taken.

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13—Road at rear of College Lawn—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up a plan and estimate of the works to be done by the abutting Owners.

14—Collum End Road—Resolved, That the portion of Collum End Road in the Borough be tar painted and that the attention of the Cheltenham Rural District Council be called to the condition of the portion of the road repairable by them.

15—Lower High Street—Resolved, That application be made to the Road Board for a grant for the reconstruction of this road.

16—Upper Bath Road—Resolved, That the portion of the Upper Bath Road from Francis Street to Hermitage Street be repaved and kerbed

17—Russell Place--Resolved, That the Committee inspect the footpath in Russell Place at their next Meeting.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 12th May, 1914 Present—Alderman Bendall, Councillors Merrett, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
1274	T. W. Smith	Detached house off Naunton Lane
1275	C. M. Haward	Additions to No. 6, Hatherley Place
1276	F. Mason	Bay window to No. 4, Rosslyn Villas, Shurdington Road

1277	E. Capper	Additions to Nos. 1 & 2 Croft Villas, Croft Street
1278	F. E. Jenkins	Two houses, Sandfield Estate, Arle Road
1279	Miss Hamilton	New lavatory, Greville House

Resolved, That Plans 1276 and 1277 be approved, that Plans 1275 and 1279 be approved subject to the drainage and other sanitary matters being approved by the Sanitary Inspector, and that Plans 1274 and 1278 be disapproved.

2—Conference of Municipal and County Engineers—Resolved, That the Exhibition of Town Planning, arranged at the Town Hall in connection with the Conference, be open for public inspection on the 27th and 29th June.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 22nd May 1914: Present—Alderman Bendall, Councillor Merrett, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan	Name.	Description.
1274	T. W. Smith	Detached house, Near G.W.R. Station, Leckhampton
1275	F. E. Jenkins	Two houses, Sandfield Estate
1280	Mr. E. Wilson.	Temporary motor house, Verdahla, Queen's Road
1281	T. D. Boulton	New scullery, to, Hatherley Place
1282	Gas Light Improvement Co., Ltd.	Petroleum Depot at G.W.R. Siding.

Resolved, That Plan No. 1282 be approved, that Plan No. 1281 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, that Plan No. 1280 be approved as a temporary building subject to the usual agreement to remove the same on three months' notice being entered into, and that Plans No. 1274 and 1275 be disapproved.

The Inspector reported that a building had been erected by Mr. W. F. Sims at the rear of Langdon Road without plans having been first submitted. Resolved, That Notice be given under the Bye-law to show cause why the building should not be removed.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held at the Marle Hill Annexe on Friday, the 8th May, 1914 Present—Aldermen Baker and Davies, Councillors Jamieson, Rees Jones, Steel and Taylor (Alderman Baker in the chair).

1—Marle Hill Annexe—The Committee inspected the Lake. The Medical Officer recommended that the weeds in the upper part of the Lake should be cleaned out as far as possible, but thought that

the weeds growing in the lower part of the Lake might be prevented by chemical treatment. Resolved, That the recommendations of the Medical Officer be approved.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 20th May, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Alderman Baker, Councillors Green, Jamieson, Rees Jones, Sawyer, Steel and Taylor (Alderman Baker in the chair).

2—Montpellier Gardens, Shelter— Read, a letter from the Local Government Board enclosing sanction to a loan of £200 for the erection of a new Shelter at the Montpellier Gardens, the term for repayment being 20 years.

Tenders for Painting Railings--The Committee considered the tenders received (7) for painting the iron railings, gates, &c., at Montpellier Gardens. Resolved, That the tender of Mr. R. R. Skemp of £27 6s. 6d. (the lowest) be accepted.

3 -Winter Garden--Tenders for Painting—The Committee considered the tenders received (7) for painting the iron railings, &c., of the Winter Garden and Town Hall. Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. A. C. Billings and Sons, Ltd., of £21 (the lowest) be accepted.

Urinal—The Borough Surveyor recommended that a roof and door should be placed to the urinal provided for the Bowling Club, and also a new w.c. pan fixed, at a cost of £15. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and the work carried out.

Read, a letter from the Hon. Sec., Bowling Club, suggesting that a Notice should be placed at the entrance to the Winter Garden grounds prohibiting the admission of dogs. Resolved, That the suggestion be not entertained.

4—Band in Promenade—Read, a letter from the Bandmaster, Cheltenham Rifle Band, offering to play in the Promenade on Whit Monday, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the usual charge. Resolved, That the offer be accepted.

5—Illustrated Guide—The Town Clerk reported that a further supply of Illustrated Guides would shortly be required, and submitted a tender obtained from Messrs. E. J. Burrow, Ltd., for reprinting the Guide as follows :

2,000 copies at £15 per thousand

3,000 “ £12 “

4,000 “ £11 “

5,000 “ £10 “

Resolved, That 3,000 copies be obtained.

6— Advertising—Read, a letter from Messrs. E. J. Burrow & Co., Ltd., stating that, with a view to making the advertisement which was to appear in the "Daily Mail" on the 29th inst. more effective, they had given part of the space taken by themselves, which at the pro rata charge for the whole page would be equivalent to about £20. They had also been able to obtain free of charge a two-page illustrated advertisement of the town in a booklet issued for the use of Americans visiting London.

Resolved, That the best thanks of the Committee be conveyed to Messrs. Burrow for their action in these matters.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 21st May, 1914: Present-Councillors Green, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith, Taylor and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1--Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he tested the gas on the 16th ultimo and 20th instant for illuminating power, with the following results, viz., 14.8 and 14.0 candles respectively. The test of purity on the 19th inst. showed 20 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

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

3---Tenders for Coal—The tenders received (18) for a twelve months supply of coal for the Electricity Works were opened by the Committee. Resolved. That the same be referred to the Borough Electrical Engineer for consideration and report

4—Tenders for Arc Lamp Carbons and Meters—The tenders received for a twelve months supply of arc lamp carbons and meters were opened by the Committee. Resolved. That the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to report thereon at a Special Meeting of the Committee to be held on Thursday next at 3 p.m.

5—Applications for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received 2 further applications for a supply of energy for driving electric motors. In each case it would be necessary to extend the main, and the applicants were willing to repay the cost of the extensions by instalments Resolved, That the extensions be made subject to agreements with satisfactory sureties being entered into, to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

6—Wiring Contractors' Show Rooms—The Borough Electrical Engineer recommended that current required by Electrical Wiring Contractors for any portion of their premises permanently devoted to the exclusive display of electrical appliances be supplied at 1d. per unit. Resolved, That this be agreed to subject to agreements to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into in respect of such supply.

7—Renewals Fund—Resolved, That £100 be transferred to the Renewals Fund from the amount carried forward on the 31st March, 1913.

8—Queen's Circus Sub-station—The Borough Electrical Engineer recommended that the entrance to the Queen's Circus Sub-station should be altered similar to the Cambray Sub-station, and that it was desirable to carry out the alterations at the same time as the alterations to the footpath by the Highways Department. Resolved, That the recommendations be approved and the work carried out.

9 —Arrears—Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to get in any outstanding arrears for electric light supply.

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 28th May, 1914: Present---Councillors Haddock, Merrett, Smith, Taylor and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

10—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had been through the tenders received for the supply of coal and recommended that tests should be made of the following coal :- -

Tenderer's Name.	Coal.
W. Cory and Son	Cannop
E. Foster and Co.	Tamworth
A. H. Nott	Littleton
“	Nuneaton
“	Whateley
Park Colliery Co.	Norchard
“	Trenchard
Wilson, Carter and Pearson	Himley

Resolved, That this course be adopted and that the Council be recommended to authorise this Committee to accept a satisfactory tender.

11—Tenders for Arc Lamp Carbons--The Borough Electrical Engineer reported the result of his examination of the tenders received for a twelve months' supply of carbons. Resolved, That the tender of the Sloan Electrical Co. (the lowest) for open type Arc Lamp Carbons and the tender of the Ship Carbons, Ltd. (the lowest) for Flame Carbons be accepted in accordance with the schedule of prices submitted.

12—Tenders for Meters—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported the result of his examination of the tenders received for a twelve months' supply of meters. He recommended that the tender of the Electrical Apparatus Co. (the lowest) be accepted subject to the meter being approved by the Board of Trade. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

13—Application for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received applications for supply to six houses in Asquith Road. The cost of extending the main would be 465. Resolved, That the extension be made.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 14th May, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Bendall and Margrett, Councillors Green, Merrett and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 11th May, 1914 during last 3 years.	Average for corresponding period
Hewletts Springs	335,000 gallons	383,000 gallons

Dowdeswell Springs	510,000	“	761,000	“
Leckhampton Springs	<u>102,000</u>	“	<u>115,000</u>	“
Total	947,000	“	1,259,000	“

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CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
		11 th May, 1914.		11 th May, 1913.
Hewletts		21,599,000 gallons		14,163,100 gallons
Dowdeswell	30ft. 6in.	92,183,000 “	32ft. 0in.	100,024,000 “
Leckhampton	8ft. 0in.	<u>1,081,000</u> “	12ft. 0in.	<u>1,621,000</u> “
Total Storage		114,863,000 “		115,808,000 “

2—Loan for Extensions—Read, a letter from the Local Government Board enclosing sanction to a loan of £2,500 for extension of Mains.

3—Water Assessments—Resolved. That the Town Clerk be instructed to give notice of objection in respect of the assessments for the parishes of Charlton Kings, Badgeworth and Dowdeswell.

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

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 19th May, 1914: Present—Aldermen Baker, Bendall, Margrett and Waghorne, Councillors Green, Merrett, Rees Jones and Stewart (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—Diseases of Animals—Supt. Hopkins reported an outbreak of swine fever on the 21st ulto. at Liddington Lake. 2 pigs had died and 1 had been slaughtered by order of the Board of Agriculture. The premises at the North Ward Allotments, reported at the last meeting, were still under quarantine The Town Clerk reported that the Board of Agriculture had issued an Order including the Parish of Prestbury in the Swine Few infected Area for the purposes of the Swine Fever (Regulation of Movement) Order, 1908, and that he had given Notice of the Order an directed by the Board.

2—Fire brigade.—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that the Brigade was called to an outbreak of fire on the 22nd ulto. at Thirlestaine House Stables. Damage, £200. Brigade expenses, £6 17s. 0d. Also on the 28th ulto.. to an outbreak at Knapp Road Timber Yard. Damage, £300. Expenses, £3 10s. 6d. Also on the 3rd instant to an outbreak of fire at St. Paul's Vicarage. Damage, £150. Expenses, £5 11s. 0d. And on the 16th inst. slight outbreak at No. 5 King Street. Damage nil. Expenses £2 6s. 6d. All the property except the latter insured.

3-Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence—Read, an applications from Philip Edgar Hobbs, of Strawberry Cottage, Leckhampton, for a licence to drive a Motor Cab. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

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4—Motor Cab Licences —Read, a letter from Mr. S. G. R. Holman, Manager of the Queen's Hotel Co., stating that he had arranged to take over 4 Horse Carriage Licences from Mr. C. A. Smith, of St. Philip's Mews, and proposed to surrender three of these if the Corporation would grant two Motor Cab Licences. Resolved, That 2 Motor Cab Licences be granted, subject to 3 of the Licences being given up, and that the other Horse Carriage Licence be transferred from Mr. Smith to the Company. Read, an application from Mr. W. T. Smith, of Suffolk Mews, for two Motor Cab Licences and offering to surrender one Horse Carriage Licence for each Motor Cab Licence. Resolved, That consideration of the application be adjourned to the Annual Licensing Meeting.

5- Cinematograph Act, 1909—Read, applications from Messrs. Somerald & Co. and Messrs. Poole & Shenton for renewal of their Cinematograph Licences in respect of the Winter Garden, Albert Hall, and Victoria Rooms, respectively.

Miss Guinness, Miss Mallestone, The Revs. P. M. Johnston and J. Foster, Captain Savile and Mr. E. J. Burrow, attended as a deputation on behalf of the Local Branch of the National Vigilance Association and suggested that conditions should be made in any Licences granted by the Corporation requiring (1) all films to be passed by the Board of Censors, (2) that no children under 14 be allowed to any performance after 9 p.m., unless accompanied by their parents or guardians, (3) to secure, that in performances provided for children, only films suitable for children should be exhibited ; they also suggested that steps should be taken to secure greater control of the variety turns put on the stage. Resolved, That the Cinematograph Licences in respect of the Winter Garden, Albert Hall and Victoria Rooms, be renewed for one year on the same conditions as previously granted, except that conditions be added providing that only films passed by the Board of Censors be exhibited, and that children under 14 years of age be not allowed to enter after 9 p.m., unless accompanied by or in charge of a parent or guardian, and that highly inflammable material, such as cotton wool, be not used for costumes of performers, unless rendered and maintained fire resisting. Resolved also, That the Committee consider at the next meeting the adoption of Part IV. of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1890, as to Music and Dancing.

6—Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908—Read, applications from Messrs. Yates & Sons, Cypher & Sons, P.C. A. Wiggall, P.S. Wiggall and G. E. Pates, for renewal of licences granted to them under the above Act. Resolved, That the licences be renewed for one year from the 7th proximo.

7—Licences to store Petroleum --Read, an application from Mr. R. Rowell for a licence to store 100 gallons of Petroleum at his workshop in Sandford Street. The Inspector reported that the place of storage was unsuitable. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to. Read, an application from the Gas Lighting Improvement Co., Ltd., of Salisbury House, London Wall, E.C., for a licence to store 2500 gallons of Petroleum at a store in the G.W. Ry. Goods Yard, St. James' Square ; and also from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co., Ltd., for a licence to store 500 gallons at Stretton's Garage," Bath Road. The Inspector reported that the proposed places of storage were satisfactory.. Resolved, That licences be granted accordingly. Read, an application from Mr. T. V. West, of 88, High Street, for a licence to store 5,000 gallons of Benzol at a store in the garden of Messrs. Shenton, Grosvenor Place South. The Inspector recommended that a licence to store 2,500 gallons should be granted, subject to a proper store being erected and to the wooden buildings on the land being removed. Resolved, That a licence to store 2,500 gallons be granted subject to the store being erected to the satisfaction of the Inspector and to the wooden buildings being removed.

8- Market Tolls--Read, a letter from Mr. Jacob Studt offering the sum of £60 for the tolls at the Fairs and Mops this year Resolved, That the offer be accepted subject to an agreement being entered into containing the same terms as last year.

9 --General Hospital and Dispensary—Read, a letter from the Charity Commissioners enclosing notice of the sale of the Branch Dispensary, Oxford Passage, for £450.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 13th May 1914 : Present—Alderman Davies, Councillors Green, Jamieson, Rees Jones and Steel and Mr. H. Stroud (Councillor Rees Jones in the chair).

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Rees Jones be appointed Chairman of the Committee.

2—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that 1,207 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum since the 15th ultimo.

Mr. L. Bagnell-Oakeley, of Edgbaston House, had presented 6 snakes. Miss Henry, of Lyndale, had presented 3 Roman pottery lamps, a piece of Roman glass, and some polished stones. Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the donors.

Resolved, That a small painting of the Royal Well be purchased for 10/-

3—Autumn Exhibition--Resolved, That the Curator be authorised to visit the Royal Academy to make a selection of pictures for the Autumn Exhibition.

T. REES JONES,

Chairman.

MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 15th May, 1914: Present—Councillors Dodwell, Haddock, Merrett, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the chair).

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths during April, 1914, were as follows :—

	£ s. d.		
Receipts	80 9 10	Expenses	37 18 9
		Interest and Redemption	<u>44 13 4</u>
	£80 9 10		£82 12 1

Tenders for Outside Painting—The Committee considered the tenders (8) received for painting the outside of Montpellier Baths. Resolved, That the tender of Mr. Edward Eager of £15 2s. 0d. (the lowest) be accepted.

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2—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths during April, 1914, were as follows

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts	27 10 2	Expenses	77 10 6
		Interest and Redemption	27 18 4
			£105 8 10

Life Saving---The Superintendent of the Alstone Baths reported that on the 6th inst. his assistant (G. Lodge) dived into deep water, fully dressed, and rescued a bather who had got into difficulties and was holding another bather at the bottom of the bath. Resolved, That the Committee desire to express their appreciation of the presence of mind shown by Lodge.

3—Mineral Waters—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during April last was 1,228 as compared with 1,125 for the month of April, 1913. The number of bottles of concentrated Water sold during April last was 360 as compared with 246 for the corresponding month 1913.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 22nd May, 1914: Present—Alderman Baker, Councillors Dodwell, Mann, Rees Jones and Stewart (Councillor Stewart is the chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent of the Cemetery made application for the usual supply of bedding-out plants for the Cemetery. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to supply plants to the value of £5.

2—Designs—Resolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz. :—Headstones to graves of Joseph Sabbatella, Mary and Elizabeth Payne, Georgina Ethel Handcock and John Coulston ; Memorial Crosses to graves of Cecil Pugh and Anthony Laurie ; Monument to grave of Willie Butler ; Kerbing to grave of Annie Green.

3—Grants of Grave Spaces—Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 4,641 to 4,648 (both inclusive) of the exclusive right of burial referred to therein which had been purchased.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 19th May, 1914: Present—Alderman Davies, Councillors Green, Jamieson, Merrett, Mann, Steel, Sawyer and Wilkins. Messrs. F. J. Caudle, 1. R. Claridge, E. Gridley, A. Miles, W. J. Moore and E. C. Rogers (Councillor Green in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report--Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts: £2 4s. 10d The number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library during the 21 days ending the 9th inst. was 1,299 as compared with 1,285 for 22 days last year. The number of volumes issued from the Lending Library was 9,113 as compared with 9,068. 8 volumes of Books for the Blind had been issued during the month.

2-Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 7th inst. Present Alderman Davies, Councillors Green and Merrett, and Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge (Councillor Green in the chair).

They recommended

That the tender of the Looker-On Printing Co. for printing 750 copies of the Annual Report (being the lowest) be accepted.

That an offer of £4 10/- be made to Messrs. Forbes and Haddon for 530 volumes of recent Fiction offered for sale by them.

That an original copy of the Cheltenham Directory for the year 1802 be purchased for the sum of 15/-

That the Librarian be authorised to order 10 Sheaf Catalogues at a cost of £4 10/- and a supply of Catalogue Cards at a cost of about £2 10/-

That the offer of 36 numbers of "The Patesian" for the years 1902-13 for the sum of 15/- be riot accepted.

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

E. C. GREEN,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 26th May, 1914 Present—Councillors Haddock, Steel, Silk and Wilkins (Councillor Steel in the chair).

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 26th inst., on the collection of the first instalment of the General District Rate, made on the 6th inst., was read. Amount collected £2,529 11s. 3d. Leaving outstanding, £23,889 15s. 10d.

2---Water Rate—Read, the Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 26th inst., on the collection of this rate for the half year ending the 29th September next. Amount collected, £2,529 11s. 3d. Leaving outstanding, £10,125 10s. 8d.

3—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that he had received £100 and £300 on loan at 3 ¾ per cent. Resolved, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

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Read, a letter from Messrs. E. M. Harwood and Co., solicitors of the late Mr. C. E. F. Nash, stating that it was desired to divide the sum of £600 secured by Debenture No. 341 amongst the beneficiaries, and asking that 4 Debentures for £150 each should be issued in exchange for the Debenture. Resolved, That the application be acceded to and that Debentures be issued accordingly.

4—Education Committee—Loans— The Town Clerk reported that the Local Government Board had issued their formal sanctions to the following loans :—

Amount.	Purpose.	Term for Repayment.
£337	Manual Instruction Centre, Milsom Street Schools	30 years

£140	Cookery, Laundry, &c., Centres, Marlboro' House, Gloucester Road, and Naunton Park Schools (Furniture and Fittings)	10 years
£67	Gloucester Road and Naunton Park Centres	10 years

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

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

Overdrawn on the 28th April last		1,084 19 3
Paid since that date		<u>7,520 6 8</u>
		8,605 5 11
Received since that date (including Loans on Debenture, £500)		<u>7,836 18 11</u>
	Overdrawn	765 7 0
being General Accounts		1,508 8 0
less Sinking Funds Accounts	In hand	677 2 6
" "Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts do.		<u>62 18 6</u>
		<u>740 1 0</u>
		768 7 0

ROBT. STEEL,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Tuesday, the 2nd June, 1914, at 3 p.m. Present THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair.

Aldermen:

WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL RICHARD DAVIES

Councillors:

ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART PETER PHILIP TAYLOR
THOMAS WILKINS

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Adjournment of Meeting—Resolved, That this Meeting of the Council be adjourned to Wednesday, the 3rd June instant, at 3 p.m.

Mayor.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

At an adjourned Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Wednesday, the 3rd June, 1914, at 3 p.m. Present:

THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen :

WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER RICHARD DAVIES JOHN DAVID BENDALL CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT

Councillors :

JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL STANLEY WYNDHAM JAMIESON ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES

EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART PETER PHILIP TAYLOR THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM

WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

Apologies.—Apologies for non-attendance were received from Councillors Green and Sawyer.

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1—Minutes of Previous Meetings—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meetings of the Council on the 4th and 6th May last having been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

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

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

4—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meetings of the 8th and 20th May last, be approved and confirmed.

5—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meetings of the 21st and 28th May last, be approved and confirmed.

6—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 14th May last, be approved and confirmed.

7—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 19th May last, be approved and confirmed.

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

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

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

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

12—Finance Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 26th May last, be approved and confirmed. Resolved also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

13—Corporation Horses—Councillor Stewart moved, in accordance with the Notice given by him at the last Quarterly Meeting, and Councillor Mann seconded, "That all horses in the employ of the Corporation 12 years old and over, and certified by a Veterinary Surgeon as permanently unfit for work, be destroyed." To this an Amendment was moved by Councillor Taylor and seconded by Councillor Smith, "That the words 'too old for work' be substituted for the words '12 years old and over.' " It was then moved by Alderman Baker and seconded by Councillor Rees Jones, "That the Council proceed to the other business of the day," and this motion on being put to the Meeting by the Mayor, was declared carried.

14—Montpellier Baths—The Motion proposed by Councillor Taylor and seconded by Councillor Smith, viz.: "That this Council do consider the advisability of inviting offers from private persons or from companies for taking over the Montpellier Baths from this Corporation," was not carried.

15—Petty Cash Payments—The motion proposed by Councillor Taylor on this subject was not seconded.

16—Notices of Motion—Councillor Jamieson gave Notice of his intention to move at the next Monthly Meeting of the Council :— "That a Committee be appointed to investigate the existing traffic problem within the Borough."

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Councillor Stewart also gave notice of his intention to move at the next Monthly meeting of the Council :—"That all horses owned by the Corporation and certified by a Veterinary Surgeon as permanently unfit for work be destroyed."

Mayor.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Central Depot, in the said Borough, on Friday, the 5th June, 1914, at 3 p.m. Present:

Aldermen :

RICHARD DAVIES WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER

Councillors :

JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY STANLEY WYNDHAM JAMIESON ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT
THOMAS REES JONES ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS

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1—Chairman—In the absence of the Mayor. Resolved, That Alderman Baker be appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

2—Annual Licensing of Hackney Carriages and Drivers—The Council granted the renewal of 49 one-horse fly licences at 5/- (£12 5/-), 10 taxi-cab licences at 5/- (£2 10/-), 11 pony carriage licences at 3/6 (£ 1 18s. 6d.), 17 wheelchair licences at 3/6 (£2 19s. 6d.), 120 drivers' and conductors' licences at 1/- (£6), 3 omnibus licenses at 5/- (15/). Total receipts, £26 8/-

3—Motor Cab Licences—Read, an application from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co., Ltd., for four motor cab licences, stating that they were willing to give up six horse carriage licences therefor. Resolved, That four motor cab licences be granted subject to the six existing licences being given up. Read, an application from Mr. W. T. Smith, of Suffolk Mews, for two motor cab licences, stating that he was willing to surrender three existing horse carriage licences held by him. Resolved, That two motor cab licences be granted subject to the three existing licences being given up and also to the motor cabs being approved by the Sub-Committee. Read, an application from Mrs. Helen Tilley, of Wellington Mews, for a motor cab licence, stating that she was willing to give up an existing horse carriage licence (No. 64) therefor. Resolved, That the application be referred to the General Purposes Committee.

4—Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licences—Read, applications from Archie Martin, 2, Moorend Cottages, Moorend Street ; Walter R. Waltham, 48, Townsend Street ; Thomas Harold Humphris, Kingscote, Little Herberts, Charlton Kings ; Arthur Tobias, 72, Bath Road ; Arthur C. W. Brow-n, 7, Brecon Terrace ; Albert Ernest Dyson, 38, Duke Street ; Wilfred Lionel Godwin, 40, Naunton Crescent, and Reginald Swift, Onslow, Oakland Avenue, for a licence to drive a motor hackney carriage ; and from William Wilfred Cook, of 33, St. Philip's Street, for a licence to drive a horse hackney carriage. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 6th July, 1914.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 8th June, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles —The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-9 and 10 Denmark Villas, 1 and 2 Providence Cottages, 27 Sherborne Street, 9 and 10 Victoria Place, 182, 186, 189, 191, 193, 194, 288 and 289 High Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2---Overcrowding at 12 and 13 Sun Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 7 Denmark Villas, 27 and 36 Sherborne Street, 9, 13 and 16 Victoria Place, 1 Swindon Terrace, 276 High Street, 36 Malvern Street—The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

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4—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 5 Gloucester Cottages, 2 and 5 Brooksdale Cottages, 1 and 1a Gloucester Place, and Holmdale, King's Road—The Inspector- of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

5—Insanitary Property-7, 9 and 10 Denmark Villas, 3, 9 and 10 Victoria Place, 1 Swindon Terrace, 276 High Street, 36 and 38 Malvern Street, 7 Waterloo Street, and 2 North Street — The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Houses unfit for Human Habitation-13 and 14 King Street Gardens—The Medical Officer of Health made a representation that these dwelling-houses were in a state so dangerous to health as to be unfit for human habitation, and he recommended that the houses should be closed. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting, and that in the meantime Notice be given to the owners of the premises of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order.

7—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction on the 18th ulto. of the carcase and offal of a pork pig, on the 10th ulto. the forequarter of a heifer, and on various dates from May 20 to June 2 a number of pieces of bone-tainted meat, as unfit for food. (Total weight destroyed, 5 cwts. 2 qrs. 6 lbs.)

8—Report of Farms Sub-Committee—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on Monday, the 8th inst. Present: The Mayor, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel and Stewart (Councillor Steel in the chair).

Farms Manager's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Farms Manager. Since the last Meeting, 23 head of cattle had been purchased for £360 8s. 10d., 22 head of cattle (including 9 calves) had been sold for £239 10s. 7d., and 42 sheep (including 6 lambs) for £90 5s. 9d. (Total sales, £329 16s. 4d.)

The number of livestock on the Farms on the 8th inst. was 17 horses (not including 6 at Depot), 128 head of cattle, 249 sheep, and 14 pigs, all doing very well.

Resolved, That the Farms Manager be instructed to obtain tenders for repairs required at Haydon Knoll Farm, and also to obtain 3 hay ropes and 50 fencing posts and 100 rails. Resolved, That the proceedings of the Farms Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 22nd June, 1914 Present—The Mayor, Councillors Blakeney, Rees Jones and Steel (The Mayor in the chair).

9—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :---1, 3, 6 and 7a St. James' Place, 7, 9, 10 and 12 Andover Street, 2 and 3 Angle Villas, Grafton Road, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Langdon Terrace, Inglewood, Langdon Road, 9 and 11 Fairfield Avenue, 9 and 12 Mapledene Terrace, 1, 2, 38, 44, 45 and 63 Upper Norwood Street, 1 and 2 Lugwardine Cottages, Short Street, 5 Rosslyn Terrace, and Leckhampton Inn, Shurdington Road. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

10—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 9 and 10 Hungerford Street, 20 Granville Street, 2 Victoria Street, 24 Queen Street, 28 and 29 Sidney Street, and 7 Witcomb Place—The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby, Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

11—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 4 Gloucester Cottages--The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-mentioned houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee, 61, 62, 63, 64 and 65 Winchcomb Street and 12 Warwick Place--The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specifications of works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved and that Notice be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days,

12--Insanitary Property-13 and 15 Fairview Street, 8 Hungerford Street, 20 Granville Street, 9 Rutland Street, 24 Queen Street, 56 Townsend Street and 5 Witcomb Place — The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under section .94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the

owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

13—Houses unfit for Human Habitation-231 High Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises, in respect of which a Closing Order was made, had been made fit for human habitation. Resolved, That an Order be made determining the Closing Order.

13 and 14 King Street Gardens—With reference to the representation made by the Medical Officer of Health at the last Meeting, the Town Clerk reported that he had given notice to the owners of 13 and 14, King Street Gardens. Mr. R. J. Winterbotham, solicitor, attended on behalf of the owners and informed the Committee that steps were being taken to convert the premises into a Store, and asked that the question of making a Closing Order should be adjourned for two months. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

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

15—House without proper Water Supply-11 Jersey Place—It appearing, on the report of the Borough Surveyor, that the above premises were without a proper Water Supply, but that such supply could be furnished at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Act, Resolved, That Notice be given under Section 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owner requiring him to obtain such a supply and do all things as may be necessary for that purpose.

16—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 8th and 10th inst hind-quarters of beef were surrendered and destroyed as unfit for human food. (Total weight, 1,800 lbs.)

17—Delancey Hospital —Read, a letter from the Charity Commission asking for Representatives of the Council to attend a Conference of the persons interested, to be held on the 26th instant, to consider the objections received to the Draft Scheme. Resolved, that the Chairman and Councillors Rees Jones and Steel be appointed Representatives to attend the Conference

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 9th June, 1914. Present — Alderman Bendall, Councillors Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

1—Street Projections—Read, an application from Mr. A. H. Stone, builder, on behalf of Mr. Wallis, of 84, High Street, for permission to place, until Xmas next, a temporary sign projecting 5 inches beyond the fascia board. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

2— Telegraph Pole— Vittoria Walk—Read, an application from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, for permission to place a telegraph pole in Vittoria Walk. Resolved, That permission be granted subject to a painted pole being provided and to the exact position of the same being approved by the Borough Surveyor.

3—Promenade—Motor Traffic—Read, a letter from Mr. W. Loch Mellersh, of Bergholt, Painswick Road, calling attention to the motor traffic in the Promenade, and also suggesting that alternate trees in many of the roads in the town should be removed, etc. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Trees Sub-Committee, and that Mr. Mellersh be informed that the other matters referred to are receiving attention.

4—Temporary Building, Langdon Road—Mr. W. F. Sims attended the Meeting to show cause why the building erected by him at the rear of Glenside, Langdon Road, without plans having been submitted, should not be removed. Resolved. That the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting, and that in the meantime Mr. Sims be asked to submit plans of the building erected by him.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 30th June, 1914. Present—Aldermen Baker and Bendall, Councillors Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

5 --Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 22nd May to the 25th June, 1914 (both inclusive) had been as follows :--Roads Repaired—Imperial Square (1,800 sq. yds.), Lansdown Road (13,985 sq. yds.)

Roads Patched—Gloucester Road, Montpellier Terrace, Hale's Road, Park Place, Suffolk Road and Suffolk Square.

Roads Tarpainted—Carlton Street (2,400 sq. yds.), Gloucester Road (26,769 sq. yds.), Imperial Square (2,000 sq. yds.), Montpellier Terrace (1,300 sq. yds.), :Montpellier Walk, opening (6,000 sq. yds.), Oriel Road (1,730 sq. yds.). Park Place (3,320 sq. yds.), Suffolk Square (2,200 sq. yds.), Sydenham Road N. (1,920 sq. yds.)

Electricity Trenches Repaired—Hewlett Street, London Road, St. Paul's Street S., Tivoli Place, Albion Street, High Street, Henrietta Street and Sandford Road. Gas Trenches Repaired--Albion Street Telephone Trenches Repaired —St. George's Road,

Paving Repaired—Christ Church Road, Glencairn Park Road, Hatherley Road, High Street, Lansdown Road, Montpellier Retreat and St. George's Road.

Kerbing Repaired—Hatherley Road and Montpellier Retreat. Crossing Repaired—,

Trees Primed—Christ Church Road, Eldorado Crescent, Eldorado Road, Glencairn Park Road, Gloucester Place, Hewlett Road, Langdon Road, Lansdown Road, Lansdown Terrace, Montpellier Street, North Street, Old Bath Road, Overton Road and Parabola Road.

Dead Trees Removed—Christ Church Road (1 lime), Gloucester Road (1 elm), Lansdown Place (1 lime). Leckhampton Road (1 lime and 1 ash), Pittville Lawn (1 birch), Queen's Road (1 sycamore).

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 5 weeks ended the 18th June, 1914, 1,055 loads collected, 1,034 consumed, and 21 tipped away. Weight consumed, 1,150 tons 2 cwts. Steam Generated - Hourly average, 6,401 lbs.

6—Report of Plans Sub-Committee—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 9th and 30th inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

7—Street Projections--Read, an application from Messrs. R. E. and C. Marshall, Ltd.. for permission to place 2 electric lamps outside Messrs. Baily and Jones' premises, High Street. Resolved. That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions,

Read, an application from Mr. Nathan Lee for permission to place a sign, projecting 3 feet, outside the King's Hall, North Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the sign being a fixed sign, and to the same not being less than 15 feet above the pavement.

8— Hatherley Road—With reference to the letter received from Mr. J. H. Evans as to the condition of Hatherley Road from Shelburne Road to Hatherley Brake, the Borough Surveyor reported the repairs were now being carried out.

9—Tenders for Coal—The Borough Surveyor submitted the Tenders (14) received for the supply of coal for the year ending the 30th June, 1915. Resolved, That the following Tenders be accepted subject to formal contracts to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into:—

Powell, Gwinnell and Co., Ltd., for West Cannock house coal at 10/6 per ton for Municipal Offices, Central Depot, Pittville Pump Room, Fire Station, Cemetery Lodge, Destructor, Electric Light Offices, Alstone Baths, Montpellier Baths, Sandford Pumping Station, Sewage Farms (18/6 delivered to station), Dowdeswell Reservoir Lodge (23/-) Central Depot (Smith's coal) at 23/- per ton. Pittville Greenhouses (Lump Anthracite) 23/- Smokeless Steam coal for steam fire engine at 26/-

John Williams and Co., Ltd. Abattoir (Baker's Nuts), 20/-.

Princess Royal Colliery Co. Slack coal, at 12/3 per ton, delivered to station, for Alstone and Montpellier Baths and Sandford Pumping Station.

10--Main Roads -The Town Clerk submitted draft Agreement with the County Council. Resolved, That the same as now settled be approved, and that the Common Seal be affixed to an engrossment thereof.

11—Montpellier Parade Read, a letter from Mr. E. W. Fear, calling attention to the condition of the footpath in Montpellier Parade from " Canobie" to Montpellier Terrace. Resolved, That the footpath be inspected at the next View Meeting.

12—National Housing and Town Planning Conference—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the National Housing and Town Planning Council, stating that a Tour for inspection of Town Planning at Vienna, Prague, Buda Pesth and Leipsic was being arranged, extending from the 29th August to the 12th September, and inviting members of the Council to join in the Tour.

13—Sandfield Road Bridge.—The Town Clerk submitted Agreement with the Midland Railway Co. for the reconstruction of the Sandfield Road Bridge. The Agreement provided for the widening of the Bridge to 24 feet, and the raising of the level of the roadway and approaches in accordance with the plan submitted, The Agreement also contained provisions for a temporary bridge during the alterations, the re-making of the roadway, &c., by the Corporation at the expense of the Company, the removal and reinstatement of the Electric Cables, and also other provisions for the protections of the Corporation. Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to the Agreement.

14—Tree opposite No. 2 Oriel Terrace—Read, a letter from the Rev. H. C. Downham, asking that the lime tree opposite No. 2 Oriel Terrace should be thinned and topped. Resolved, That the letter referred to Trees Sub-Committee.

15— Naunton Crescent, Frances Street, &c.— Read, a letter from Councillor Smith, asking that the roadway in Naunton Crescent and Francis Street should be repaired, and also the footpath between Holliday's Allotments and the G.W.Ry. Resolved, That Councillor Smith be informed that these streets will receive attention in due course.

16—Classification of Roads—The Chairman reported that a Conference had been held with representatives of the County Council with reference to the proposed classification of roads in the County, and that it had been arranged to hold a further conference in Cheltenham with the neighbouring Authorities on the 3rd proxo. to co-ordinate the proposals for classification.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 9th June, 1914: Present—Alderman Randall, Councillors Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
1283	Anglo-American Oil Co.	Petroleum Store, G.W.R. Siding, New Street.
1284	Webb Bros.	Detached House, Swindon Road.
1285	Trustees of the late H. C. Carrington	New Reading Room at rear of 17, Promenade Villas.

Resolved, That Plan No. 1283 be approved, and that Plans No. 1284 and 1285 be disapproved.

2—Temporary Building—The Inspector reported that Mr. G. H. Bendy had erected a temporary building at the rear of Glenside, Langdon Road, without having first submitted plans. Resolved, That Notice be given to Mr. Bendy under the Bye-law to show cause why the same should not be removed.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 30th June 1914 Present—Alderman Randall, Councillors Merrett, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan	Name.	Description.
1278	F. E. Jenkins	Two Houses, Sandford Estate.
1285	Trustees of late Mr. H. Carrington	New Reading Room at rear of 17, Promenade Villas
1286	W. F. Sims (amended plans).	Temporary Store at rear of Langdon Road.
1287	United Chemists' Association, Ltd.	New Warehouse, Priory Court, High Street.
1288	Miss O. Shill	Additions to 67, Upper Bath Road.
1289	Bristol Tramway and Carriage Co.	New Garage, Spa Road (amended plans).
1290	R. Webb	Addition to Shop, Hewlett Street.
1291	A. S. Longman	Temporary Motor House, Hillthorpe, Leckhampton Road.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1287, 1288, and 1290, be approved, that Plan No. 1285 be approved, subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, that Plan No. 1289 be approved, subject to the cornice not projecting more than one foot, that Plans No. 1286 and 1291 be approved as Temporary Buildings, subject to the usual undertaking to remove the same on three months' notice being entered into, and that Plan No. 1278 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 24th June, 1914 Present—Aldermen Baker and Davies, Councillors Jamieson, Re, Jones, Sawyer, Steel and Taylor (Alderman Baker in the chair).

1-- Montpellier Gardens—Summer Concerts--Read, a letter from Mr. A. W. Newton asking the Corporation to provide 39 additional tip-up chairs, and offering to pay 7 ½ per cent. on the cost of the same during the term of his lease. Resolved, That the application be acceded to on these terms. Copyright Music —Read, a letter from the Performing Right Society, Ltd., with reference to the use of Copyright Music at the Summer Concerts, and offering to grant a licence for permission to use Copyright Music for a fee of £10 10/- Resolved, That the Society be referred to Mr. Newton, the Lessee of the Gardens.

2-Advertising--Daily Mail—The Town Clerk reported that the number of applications for Guides from the 29th ulto. (the date of the Daily Mail advertisement) to the 20th inst. was 318, and that the number of applications for the 4 weeks preceding the 29th ulto. was 47. Applications had been received from France, America, Australia and the United Kingdom, and included numerous inquiries as to houses, schools, hotels, &c., and from medical men.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 26th June, 1914: Present—Councillors Merrett, Rees Jones and Smith (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he tested the gas on the 24th instant for illuminating power, with the following results, viz., 14.8 candles. The test for purity on the 22nd inst. showed 21 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

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

3— Queen's Circus Sub-Station—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had arranged with the owners of Clarence House to allow a ventilating grating to be placed in the garden wall. subject to the same being removed on three months' notice and to the wall being made good. Resolved, That the action of the Borough Electrical Engineer be approved.

4- Contract for Meters—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the Contractors had informed him that it would probably be some little time before the type of meter, the tender for which was accepted at the last meeting, was approved by the Board of Trade. Resolved, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to purchase from the Contractors such meters as may be required until the approval is received.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 18th June, 1914: Present—Alderman Baker and Councillors Sawyer and Wood (Alderman Baker in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 17th June, 1914 period during last 3 years.	Average for corresponding
Hewletts Springs	290,000 gallons	354,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	428,000 “	602,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	<u>72,000</u> “	<u>203,000</u> “
Total	790,000 “	1,059,000 “

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	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
		17 th June, 1914.		17 th June, 1913.
Hewletts		17,634,000 gallons		13,955,100 gallons
Dowdeswell	27ft. 10in.	74,901,000 “	30ft. 0in.	89,612,000 “
Leckhampton	10ft. 0in.	<u>1,351,000</u> “	10ft. 0in.	<u>1,351,000</u> “
Total Storage		93,886,000 “		104,918,000 “

2—Tewkesbury Works—Tenders for Coal—The Borough Engineer submitted the tenders (12) received for the supply of slack coal to the Tewkesbury Works. Resolved, That the tenders be referred to the Borough Engineer for consideration and report to the next Meeting.

3—Extension of Main—The Borough Engineer reported that he had received an application from Messrs. Webb Bros. for a supply of water to a new house off Swindon Road. This would necessitate an extension of the main for 60 yards, at a cost of £13 10s., and the estimated return for water supplied was £1. Messrs. Webb Bros. were willing to deposit £3 10s. towards the cost on condition that this sum should be repaid to them as soon as the annual return from premises supplied from this extension amounted to 10 per cent. upon the outlay. Resolved, That the extension be made on these terms.

4--Severn Navigation Bill—Read, a letter from Mr. C. Bathurst, of Tewkesbury, asking the Corporation to make a contribution towards the cost of the petition presented by the Launch and Boat Owners against the Severn Navigation Bill. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting.

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

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held at the Central Depot on Friday, the 29th May, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Alderman Bendall, Councillors Merrett, Rees-Jones and Stewart (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Annual Inspection—The Committee met at the Central Depot for the Annual Inspection of Hackney Carriages.

2- Motor Cab Licences—Read, an application from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co., Ltd., applying for 2 motor cab licences, and stating that they would give up 3 horse carriage licences therefor. Resolved, That 2 motor cab licences be granted subject to the 3 existing licences being given up.

3—Hackney Carriage Licence No. 67—Read, an application from the Queen's Hotel Co., Ltd., for the transfer of Hackney Carriage Licence No. 67 from Mr. Arthur Fryer, Park Mews, to the Company. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 23rd June, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Margrett, Councillors Merrett and Rees Jones (Alderman Baker in the chair).

4—Diseases amongst Animals—Supt. Hopkins reported an outbreak of Swine Fever on the 29th ulto. at premises at No. 9, Marsh Lane. 1 pig had died and 1 had been slaughtered by order of the Board of Agriculture.

Read, a letter from Mr. J. Hedley, of 93, High Street, complaining that a number of pigs belonging to him at the Whaddon Lane Allotments, affected with Swine Fever, had been left to die instead of being slaughtered. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Board on the matter.

Sheep Scab Order, 1914, and Sheep (Double Dipping) Order, 1914—Read, a letter from the Board of Agriculture enclosing copies of the Sheep Scab Order, 1914, and the Sheep (Double Dipping) Order, 1914. The first Order enabled a Local Authority to enforce special precautions in regard to any premises as regards which they may have reason to believe that Sheep Scab exists undetected, and the latter Order empowered the Board to require the double dipping of sheep in any particular areas under suspicion.

5—Gooseberry Mildew Order—The Inspector (Mr. A. E. Hudson) reported that on the 22nd ultimo he found a quantity of gooseberries purchased by Mr. O. Fisher, of 347, High Street, slightly affected with Gooseberry Mildew. The matter had been reported to the Board of Agriculture, who had communicated with the owner of the fruit.

6—Motor Cab Licences—Read, a letter from the Queen's Hotel Co. stating that they had acquired hackney carriage licence No. 20.

Read, a letter from Mrs. H. Tilley, of Wellington Mews, applying for the transfer of hackney carriage licences Nos. 64 and 90 to her son, Mr. H. Tilley. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

The application from Mr. Tilley for a motor cab licence, adjourned from the Annual Licensing Meeting, was considered. Mr. Tilley attended the Committee and stated that he had acquired hackney carriage licence No. 78 and was willing to give up this licence and also licence No. 64 in

exchange for a motor cab licence. Resolved, That a motor cab licence be granted subject to the 2 licences being given up.

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7---Fire Brigade—Report of Captain —The Captain reported that the Brigade was called to an outbreak of fire on the 17th inst. at No 10, Cambray. Damage, about £5. Brigade expenses, £3 4s. 6d, Building and contents insured.

Report of Sub-Committee--The Sub-Committee reported that they met at the Fire Station on the 23rd ulto. Present—Alderman Baker and Councillor Stewart (Alderman Baker in the chair). They recommended—

(1) That four lengths of 100 feet hose be purchased.

(2) That the manual fire engine at the Depot be sold.

(3) That permission be given for the Brigade to take part in the procession arranged by the Alexandra Day Committee.

The Sub-Committee also met on Wednesday, the 17th inst. Present—Alderman Baker and Councillor Stewart (Alderman Baker in the chair).

Rules—The Sub-Committee reported that they had considered the Rules of the Brigade, and recommended that the Rules as now revised be approved and adopted, that the same be printed and copies forwarded to the Insurance Companies.

Boots—The Sub-Committee also recommended that the tender of Messrs. Bletchley (Gloucester) for supplying two pairs of firemen's boots at 28/- per pair, be accepted. Resolved, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

8—Town Hall—Read, a letter from Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney & Co., on behalf of the Lessees of the Winter Garden, calling attention to the use of the Town Hall on the 4th, 5th and 6th inst for Cinematograph Exhibitions, and asking that the building should not be let for Cinematograph Performances during the remainder of their lease of the Winter Garden. Resolved, That the Committee see no reason to depart from their previous resolution, viz., That the Council are unable to make any arrangements which would fetter them in dealing with the Town Hall, or other Municipal buildings, as the Corporation may think reasonable and proper.

9—Music and Dancing--Read, a letter from Mr. P. Haddock, solicitor, on behalf of the Cheltenham Licensed Victuallers' Association, with reference to the adoption of Part IV. of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1890, as to Music and Dancing. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting.

10—Fruit Market—The Sub-Committee appointed on the 24th March last reported that they had held a Meeting which was attended by representatives of the Provisional Committee, representatives of the County Agricultural Committee, Mr. Pearce Ellis representing the Agricultural Organization Society and Mr. Castle, but had not yet succeeded in arranging terms for carrying on the Market which would be mutually satisfactory to the parties interested. As the present Agreement with regard to the Market would expire on the 24th inst. it was necessary to make some temporary arrangement for carrying on the Market. Resolved, That the use of the accommodation now used for the Fruit Market be granted to Mr. C. C. Castle for 4 months from the 24th June inst. at a rent at the same rate as now paid (£40 per annum) subject to the condition that the Auctioneer's

commission is not to exceed 7 ½ per cent. in any case, and on consignments of fruit realizing £5 and upwards the commission is not to exceed 5 per cent., and subject also to compliance with any conditions and regulations which may be made by the Corporation for the conduct of the Market and for securing the better grading and packing of fruit, &c.

11--Cinematograph Act, 1909—Hippodrome—Mr. C. Gill Smith attended the Meeting and asked that the condition requiring that only films passed by the Board of Censors shall be exhibited, be not enforced. Resolved, That the matter be further considered when the application for the renewal of Mr. Smith's licence is dealt with by the Committee.

12—Game Licences—Read, applications from Messrs. Olive and Son, W. Hall and Sons, Ltd., Wilks and Co., J. Maxwell, H. F. Barnett, C. Barnett and Sons, T. B. Woodard and E. Powell for renewal of their Game Licences for one year from the rat proximo. Resolved, That the applications be granted.

13—Re-numbering of Hayward's Road—Read, a letter from Mr. D. W. Anderson asking that Hayward's Road should be numbered. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up a plan for numbering this Road.

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14—Tobacconists' Shops Closing Order—The Inspector reported that Mr. Max Burnett, of 87, Winchcomb Street, had infringed the Tobacconists' Shops Closing Order by not exhibiting a notice announcing his early closing day, although his attention had been repeatedly called to this requirement. Resolved, That proceedings be taken for the penalties incurred.

15—Petroleum Licences—Read, an application from Messrs. H. G. Norton and Co. for a licence to store 300 gallons of petroleum at their store in Wellington Street. Also from Mr. C. G. Lord for a licence to store 50 gallons of petroleum and 72 lbs. of carbide of calcium, at No. 20, Upper Bath Road.

The Inspector reported that the proposed places of storage were satisfactory. Resolved, That licences be granted accordingly.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 17th June, 1914: Present—Councillors Rees Jones and Steel, Dr. E. T. Wilson and Mr. G. Dimmer (Councillor Rees Jones in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that there had been 1,297 visits made to the Art Gallery and Museum since May 13th.

The large Show-case presented by Mrs. Maslin had been placed in the Decorative Art Room, and the collection of China and Glass presented by her in July last had been arranged in it.

About 200 invitations had been sent to artists for loans of pictures for the Autumn Exhibition.

The collection of Greek and Roman Pottery, on loan from Mr. Bushnell, had been labelled and arranged in one of the large Show-cases.

Many of the local prints had also been re-arranged and descriptive labels attached.

Mr. A. Miles had presented an old print of the High Street.

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

2—Closing of Art Gallery and Museum—Resolved, That the Art Gallery and Museum be closed on the 20th instant, on the occasion of the Corporation employees' outing.

3—Museums Association—Read, a letter from the Museums Association inviting the Council to appoint representatives to attend the Annual Conference of the Association, to be held at Swansea from the 6th to the 11th July. Resolved, That the Curator be authorised to attend the Conference.

4—Leslie Young Bequest—Resolved, That the picture entitled "Alderney Race," by Mr. Henry Moore, R.A., be purchased out the Leslie Young Bequest for the sum of £75.

T. REES JONES,

Chairman.

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MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 19th June, 1914: Present—Aldermen Baker and Bendall, Councillors Blakeney, Dodwell, Haddock, Merrett, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the chair).

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths during April and May, 1914, were as follows :—

£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Receipts	139 3 5	Expenses	67 18 1
		Interest and Redemption	89 6 8.
	£139 3 5		£157 4 9

2—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths during April and May, 1914, were as follows :—

£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Receipts	109 9 8	Expenses	110 11 4
		Interest and Redemption	55 16 8
	£109 9 8		£166 8 0

3—Recreation Grounds—Cricket—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Naunton Park Cricket Club asking for permission to play at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground on Wednesday afternoons. Resolved. That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

Swings, &c.— The Borough Surveyor reported that the Swings, &c., at the Recreation Grounds had been examined and were in a safe condition.

3--Mineral Waters—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during May last was 307 as compared with 339 for the month of May last year. The number of bottles of concentrated Water sold during May last was 54 as compared with 59 for the corresponding month 1913.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 26th June, 1914 : Present—Alderman Baker, Councillors Dodwell, Roes Jones, Steel and Stewart (Councillor Stewart in the chair). :—

1-Grants of Grave Spaces—Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants numbered 4,649 to 4,657 of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein, which had been purchased.

2—Designs—Resolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz. :—Memorial Crosses and Kerbing to graves of Emily Morton Hirst and Georgiana Vavasour ; Memorial Cross to grave of Maria Christiana Morris; Headstones to graves of Charlotte Hensley Carrier, Jack Sharp and David Williams ; Kerbing to graves of Alfred John Bibbs, Henry Thomas Tavenner, Mary Emily Damrel and Graham Christopher Damrel, and Daniel Herbert ; Monuments to graves of Mary Bellairs and Edward Brown.

3—Inspection--Resolved, That the next Meeting of the Committee, on the 22nd proximo, at 11-30 a.m., be held at the Cemetery.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At Meeting' of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 16th June, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Councillors Blakeney and Steel (The Mayor in the chair).

1 Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Presentations : Dr Garrett (1 vol.), National Union of Teachers (1 vol.), the Executors of the late Mrs. McIlquham (2 vols.) Receipts: £3 15s. 4d. number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library from the 11th May to the 13th June (both inclusive) was 1,756 as compared with 1,782 for the corresponding period last year. The number of volumes issued from the Lending Library was 10,748 as compared with 11,195. to volumes of Books for the Blind had been issued during the month.

2-Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 11th inst. Present: Councillors Green and Merrett, Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge (Councillor Green in the chair). They recommended

That "The Life of Thomas Paine," by M. D. Conway (2 vols.), bequeathed to the Library by the late Mrs. McIlquham, be accepted with thanks.

That "The French Pastellists of the Nineteenth Century," by Haldane MacFall, be purchased for the sum of 21/-

That the Library Edition of the Works of John Ruskin, in 39 volumes, offered at half-published price, £21, be purchased out of the Leslie Young Bequest.

That Messrs. R. E. & C. Marshall, Ltd., be instructed to clean and examine the Heating Boiler as usual.

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That a Catalogue (2,000 copier) of the books in the Fiction and Juvenile classes be published separately, and that advertisements be obtained and inserted to help defray the cost of printing.

That the Lending and Reference Libraries be closed on Saturday, June 20th, on the occasion of the Corporation Outing to Portsmouth.

That a selection of Books made by the Librarian in London be purchased at a cost of £25 19s. 1d.

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

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 20th May, 1914 : Present—Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Rees Jones, Silk, Steel and Wilkins (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—Read, the Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 30th inst., on the collection of the first instalment of this Rate. Amount collected, £7,126 1s. 3d. Leaving outstanding, £19,669 6s. 5d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 26th inst., on the collection of this rate for the half year ending the 29th September next was read. Amount collected, £4,871 2s. 2d. Leaving outstanding, £7,783 18s. 11d.

3—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that he had received since the last Meeting £400 and £100 on loan at 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Resolved, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of the £8,385 Sewage Disposal Loan.

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

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

Overdrawn on the 26th May last	768 7 0
Paid since that date (including Loans repaid, £905)	<u>11,741 10 10</u>
	12,509 17 10
Received since that date (including Loans on Debenture, £800)	<u>13,704 14 7</u>
In hand	1,194 16 9
being General Account	426 8 4
Sinking Funds Accounts.. ..	705 9 11
"Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts	<u>62 18 6</u>
	1,194 16 9

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 6th July, 1914, at 3 p.m. Present:

THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair.

THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen :

RICHARD DAVIES CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL

Councillors :

EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART PETER PHILIP TAYLOR THOMAS WILKINS JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY FRANK CHARLES DODWELL JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL STANLEY WYNDHAM JAMIESON ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

Apology.—An apology for non-attendance was received from Councillor Haddock.

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1—Minutes of Previous Meetings—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meetings of the Council on the 2nd, 3rd and 5th June last having been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2—Conference of Municipal and County Engineers—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Institution of Municipal and County Engineers thanking the Council for granting the use of the Town Hall for the Conference held from the 24th to the 27th June last.

3—Portrait of the late Alderman Col. Rogers—Read, a letter from Mrs. Rogers asking the Council to accept a portrait of her late husband, painted by Mr. Haynes Williams, and also a terra cotta life-size bust. Resolved, That the best thanks of the Council be given to Mrs. Rogers for her kind offer, which the Council are pleased to accept.

4—Gift of Recreation Ground, &c.—The Mayor laid before the Council the following letter received from Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney and Co., solicitors, on behalf of Mr. W. H. Horsley :—

DEAR SIR, We are instructed by our client, Mr. William Henry Horsley, of Filey Lawn, to ask the Corporation to accept from him, as a memorial of his many years' residence in his native town and long business connection with it, the gift of a Recreation Ground for the East Ward, together with a block of Cottage Homes which he proposes to erect upon a portion of the ground and to suitably endow.

Mr. Horsley has been concerned to see the number of children in the thickly-populated district adjoining the Hale's Road who do not live within reach of the Whaddon Lane Recreation Ground, and whose only playground is apparently the streets, and he wishes to offer, as the site of a further Recreation Ground, six and a half acres of freehold pasture land having a frontage to the Hale's Road and situate on the south side of Battledown Lawn.

On a portion of the land Mr. Horsley proposed to build a block of Cottage Homes, similar in design to those now being erected for him on behalf of the Strickland Trust, in the Hale's Road, and he will

endow them with a sum sufficient to produce income to discharge all outgoing, for repairs and rates and taxes, and to provide 4/- or 5/- a week for each occupant of the Cottage Homes.

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Our client would like to retain the general management of the right of nomination of inmates to the Cottage Homes, when erected, during his life. With this slight reservation, however, he would vest both the land and the houses in the Corporation in perpetuity.

Mr. Horsley will, of course, look to the Corporation to provide a suitable custodian of the land, and to undertake the upkeep of it as a public Recreation Ground. He trusts that in addition to the children and the inmates of the Cottage Homes, many of the elder inhabitants of the East Ward will use the ground, from which, as it rises on the east towards Battledown, pleasant views can be obtained. The only charge upon the property is tithe, of the present annual value of £1 11s. 3d.

We may perhaps mention that the cost to our client of carrying out the above scheme will be about £5,000.

If the Town Council, as we trust will be the case, accept the gift, Mr. Horsley will propose to complete the conveyance of the property to the Corporation and to hand over the possession of the land on or about the 29th September next. In the meantime, it would greatly facilitate his arrangements if an early reply can be returned to his proposal.

We are, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

WINTERBOTHAM, GURNEY & CO.

Resolved, That the warmest thanks of the Council be conveyed to Mr. Horsley for his generous offer, which they gratefully accept on behalf of the town.

5—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 8th and 22nd June last, be approved and confirmed.

6—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 9th and 30th June last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following Amendment, viz. :— That the portion of the Resolution to Minute No. 9 with reference to the supply of Slack Coal for Alstone and Montpellier Baths, &c., be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

7—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 24th June last, be approved and confirmed.

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8—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 26th June last, be approved and confirmed.

9—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 18th June last, be approved and confirmed.

10—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meetings of the 29th May and 23rd June last, be approved and confirmed, and that Licences to deal in Game be granted accordingly.

11—Municipal Offices Sites Committee—The Tenders received for the alterations to Nos. 22-26 Promenade were considered, and it was Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. A. C. Billings and Sons, Ltd., of £5,534 10s. 2d., be accepted, subject to a contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

Resolved also, That the Common Seal be affixed to a Memorial making application to the Local Government Board for their sanction to a loan of £6,643 5s. 2d., for such alterations including Architects' commission, &c.

Resolved also, That a sum sufficient to provide for the cost of the alterations to No. 21 Promenade be transferred to the Borough Fund from the Surplus Revenue of the Water Undertaking.

12—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 17th June last, be approved and confirmed.

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

14—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of 26th June last, be approved and confirmed.

15—Public Library Committee- Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their meeting 10th June last, be approved and confirmed.

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16—Finance Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 30th June last, be approved and confirmed. Resolved also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

17—Regulation of Traffic—Upon the motion of Councillor Jamieson, seconded by Councillor Silk, it was Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to investigate the existing traffic problem within the Borough.

18—Corporation Horses—The Motion proposed by Councillor Stewart on this subject was not carried.

Mayor.

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Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Committees of the TOWN Council to be submitted for approval at the Quarterly Meeting of the Council to be held on Friday, the 31st July, 1914.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 13th July, 1914: Present—Councillors Blakeney, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (Councillor Steel in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles —The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-34 Victoria Street, 3 Moorend Parade, 1 and 2 Exmouth Cottages, 2 and 3 Hewlett Place, 9 Denmark Villas, and 27 Sherborne Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Overcrowding at 53 Queen Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, Notice under Section 9.1 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

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3—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 29 Sidney Street, 10 Denmark Villas, 27 Sherborne Street, 1, 2 and 3 Glenfall Street, and St. Peter's Boys' School—The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

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

5—Insanitary Property-28 and 29 Sidney Street, 2 Exmouth Cottages, 3, .5 and 6 Witcomb Place, 9 and 10 Denmark Villas, 2 and 3 Glenfall Street, St. Peter's Boys' School, Swindon Road -- The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Destruction of Diseased Meat--The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat as follows: on the 29th ulto. and 1st inst., 5 hind quarters of beef, on the 30th ulto. and 1st inst. the carcasses and offal of 2 pork pigs (Total weight destroyed, 8 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lbs.)

7—Epidemic Diarrhoea, &c.---Read, a circular letter from the Local Government Board, with reference to mortality among children in the summer and autumn months, arising from epidemic diarrhoea and other infectious diseases of infants, and calling the attention of local authorities to the importance of taking all practicable measures for the prevention of such diseases, and of promoting hygienic conditions in the feeding of infants. Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health be instructed to prepare a leaflet on the subject, and that 5000 copies be printed for distribution. A circular letter was also received from the Local Government Board, calling attention to the need for

special precautions, with a view to the prevention of infectious disease amongst children sent by philanthropic organisations for a holiday in the country.

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

Farms Manager's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Farms Manager. Since the last Meeting, 111 head of cattle (including 2 calves) had been purchased for £1353 10s. 0d., 3 calves had been bred on the Farms, 17 head of cattle (including it calves) had been sold for £131 2s. 5d.. 90 sheep (including 16 lambs) for £192 19s. 8d., and 1026 lbs. of wool for £58 15s. 0d. (Total sales, £382 17s. 1d.) Resolved. That the Manager be authorised to purchase some wheat straw for thatching.

Fruit—Resolved, That Messrs. Castle & Bloss be instructed to offer the fruit at the Farms for sale by public auction as in previous years.

R. STEEL,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 20th July, 1914 Present—The Mayor, Councillors Blakeney, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

9--Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-6 Avenall's Parade, 4,5 Fairview Street, 20 Hungerford Street, 1 & 2 Limerick Cottages, Waterloo Street, Lawrence Cottage, Swindon Road, 25a Jersey Street, 2 Clare Place, 2 Harborne Cottages, 1 Ferndale Cottages, 2 Moorend Cottages, 13 and 20 Roman Road, 9 Rutland Street and 5 and 6 Gordon Terrace, Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1675, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

10--Overcrowding at 4 Union Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, Notice under Section 9.1 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof requiring them to abate the same.

11—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 29 and 31 Queen Street, 6 Avenall's Parade, 24 Moorend Street and 13 Roman Road—The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby, Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

12-Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 96, 97 and 98 Albion Street, 1, 2 and 3, Gloucester Cottages, Gloucester Road, and 3.5 Winchcomb Street—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

13--Insanitary Property-9 Rutland Street, 5, 27 and 29 Queen Street, 6 Avenall's Parade, 2 and 3 Clare Place, 2 Orchard Place, Swindon Road, and Plough Hotel Stable Yard—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

14-Notices not Complied With—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Notices requiring the abatement of nuisances caused by dirty walls and ceilings, leaky roofs, defective pitching, &c., and the provision of ash receptacles, which had been served but not complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to compel compliance.

15 - Destruction of Diseased Food—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 17th inst. a box of cod-fish (126 lbs.) was surrendered and destroyed as unfit for food.

16- Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Order—Read, an application from Mr. George E. Hider, of 8 Hewlett Street, to be registered as a purveyor of milk. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

17- Wages of Junior Clerk, Health Department—Read, an application from Mr. L. H. Surman, Junior Clerk in the Health Department, for an increase of Wages. Resolved, That his annual increment for this year be increased by 2/6, making his wages 12/6 per week.

18- Housing, Town Planning, &c. Act, 1908—Underground Sleeping Rooms —Resolved, That the regulations now submitted be prescribed under Section 17 (7b) of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909, in respect of rooms habitually used as a sleeping place, the surface of the floor of which is more than 3 feet below the surface of the part of the street adjoining or nearest to the room, and that application be made to the Local Government Board for their consent to such regulations.

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19—Cottage at Hester's Way—Water Supply—Resolved, That the Council be recommended to have the water laid on to the Cottage belonging to Mr. Charles Clare at Hester's Way, occupied by Mr. Howell, and to provide a supply of water for ordinary domestic purposes free of charge for so long as Mr. Clare shall continue owner of the property.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 14th July, 1914 Present — Aldermen Baker, Bendall and Margrett, Councillors Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

1--Classification of Roads—The Chairman reported that a Conference was held on the 3rd inst. with representatives of the Corporation, Charlton Kings Urban District Council and the Cheltenham and Winchcombe Rural District Councils, to co-ordinate the proposals for classification.

Resolved, That the Road Board be informed of the intention of the Corporation to include Swindon Road (from Borough Boundary, along North Street to High Street) Hatherley Road, Charlton Lane and Church Road for classification.

Resolved also, That proposals be made to the Road Board for classification of the roads as follows :—

First Class Roads--Gloucester Road (from High Street to Borough Boundary), Tewkesbury Road, High Street and London Road, Portland Street and Evesham Road, Winchcomb Street and Prestbury Road, Old Bath Road, Hale's Road and Cemetery Road, Bath Road and Leckhampton Road, Shurdington Road, Painswick Road, Andover Road, Lansdown Road, Montpellier Walk and Promenade, Clarence Street, Manchester Street and St. James' Square, and Queen's Road.

Second Class Roads—Norwood Road, Suffolk Road, Thirlestaine Road, Montpellier Terrace, Sandford Road, St. George's Road, Hewlett Street and Road, Hatherley Road, Swindon Road and North Street, Charlton Lane and Church Road.

2—Motor Lorries—Read, a letter from Capt. Leland, forwarding copy of a scheme prepared by the War Office under which they were prepared to grant a subsidy of £110 in respect of each petrol driven motor lorry purchased by the Corporation of a pattern approved by the War Office. All subsidised vehicles would be liable to be called up by the War Office in case of national emergency, but not for manoeuvres Resolved. That the matter be referred to the Borough Surveyor for consideration and report.

3—Collum End Road--Read, a letter from Miss Mann, calling attention to the footpath in Collum End Road. Resolved, That the footpath be tar painted. Read, a letter from the Clerk to the Cheltenham Rural District Council, stating that the portion of the road, repairable by them would be repaired in October next, and also enclosing copy of a Resolution passed by the Leckhampton Parish Meeting declining to enter into any arrangements for watering the road. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to water the portion of the road in the Borough.

4---Bloomsbury Place--Read, a letter from Mr. T. Malvern, with respect to enclosing the piece of land at the end of Stoneville and Bloomsbury Streets. Resolved, That the Committee inspect the land at their next View Meeting.

5—Tenders for Coal--The Committee further considered the Tenders received for Slack Coal. Resolved, That the following Tenders be accepted, viz. :- - Alstone Baths--Messrs. Webb Bros., Ltd., for Cannop Rough Small Steam Cool at 12/8 per ton. Montpellier Baths and Sandford Pumping Station- -Mr C. Cooke for Cannop Rough Slack Coal at 13/- per ton.

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6 —Street Cleansing, etc., in North Ward—The Committee considered a suggestion by Councillor Blakeney that the streets in the North Ward should be more frequently cleansed and watered. Resolved, That the Borough Survey be instructed to bring up a report upon the matter.

7—Queen's Road—The Borough Surveyor called attention to the damage done to the portion of the Queen's Road opposite the Midland Railway Station by the Motor Omnibus. Resolved, That the road be inspected at the next Meeting

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 22nd July, 1914: Present—Alderman Bendall, Councillors Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

8—Street Projection—Read, an application from Mr. A. E. Barrett, for permission to place 2 signs outside No. 40, Bath Road. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the usual conditions.

9--Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work done by the Highways Department from the 26th June last to the 23rd instant (both inclusive) had been as follows :—

Roads Coated—Gloucester Road, Marle Hill Parade (1800 square yards), Marle Hill Road (900 square yards), North Place (proceeding), Pittville Crescent, back of (2640 square yards), Saxham Villa, back of (740 square yards).

Roads Patched—Charlton Lane, Eldorado Road, High Street, Lansdown Crescent, London Road, Lower Mill Street, Old Bath Road, Swindon Road.

Electricity Trenches Repaired—St. George's Place, Asquith Road, Hale's Road, High Street, Naunton Lane, Tewkesbury Road.

Footpaths Tarpainted—Church Road (720 square yards).

Paving Repairs—Gloucester Road, Grove Street, High Street, Portland Street, Stanhope Street.

Roads Tarpainted—Cemetery Road, Charlton Lane, Bath Road, Hale's Road, Leckhampton Road, Montpellier Naunton Lane, Old Bath Road, Thirlestaine Road.

Kerbs Repaired—Naunton Crescent.

Channel Repairs—Marsh Lane, Naunton Crescent.

New Gullies Fixed—Gloucester Road (2).

Manhole Covers Raised—Marle Hill Parade (3), Marle Hill Road (2).

Private Improvement Works—Gloucester Road (proceeding).

Cleaning out Dam—Barrett's Mill.

Removing Summer Growth from Trees—Gloucester Road, Malvern Road, Queen's Road and St. George's Road.

Trees Pruned—Ambrose Street, Cemetery Road, Charlton Lane, Hewlett Road, Keynsham Road, Lansdown Road Malvern Road, Moorend Park Road, Promenade, Tewkesbury Road.

Private Trees Pruned— Andover Road, Cemetery Road, Charlton Lane, Gloucester Road, Hale's Road, Imperial Square, Lansdown Crescent, Moorend Park Road, Overton Road, Painswick Road, Road, Regent Street, Sydenham Villas Road, Western Road, St. James' Place.

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 4 weeks ended the 16th July, 1914 809 loads collected, 794 loads consumed and 15 tipped away. Weight consumed, 776 tons 13 cwt. 2 qrs.

Steam Generated -Hourly average, 6,423 lbs.

10—Report of Plans Sub-Committee—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 14th and 22nd inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

11—Pillar Letter Box—Read, a letter from the Postmaster, asking for permission to place a pillar letter box at the junction of Moorend Park Road and Moorend Grove. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the exact position of the box being approved by the Borough Surveyor.

12—Queen's Road—The Committee inspected the damage caused to the roadway opposite the Midland Railway Station by the motor omnibus belonging to the Light Railway Company. Resolved, That the paved carriage stand near the Midland Railway Station be appointed as a stand for omnibuses, and that the Company be informed that in future this stand must be used.

13—Bloomsbury Place—Read, a letter from Mr. T. Malvern, Architect, enquiring whether there was a right of way across the open space at the end of Stoneville Street and Bloomsbury Street, and stating that his client wished to fence in the land purchased by him between these streets. Resolved, That Mr. Malvern be informed that the portion of Bloomsbury Street not taken up by the Railway still remains a public highway, and that the Corporation cannot allow this to be stopped up.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 14th July, 1914: Present—Alderman Bendall, Councillors Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
1292	Cheltenham College Council	Addition to Hazelwell, College Road
1293	Mrs. Langley Sydenham Road.	Stable and dwelling house at rear of Hillsborough,
1294	G. H. Bendy	Cycle Shed at rear of Glenside, Langdon Road

Resolved, That Plan No. 1291 be approved as a temporary building, subject to the usual undertaking to remove the same on three months notice being given, and that Plans No. 1292 and 1293 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Wednesday, the 22nd July, 1914 Present—Alderman Bendall, Councillors Merrett, Steel and Stewart (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan	Name.	Description.
1292	Cheltenham College Council	Additions to Hazlewell, College Road
1295	Committee of St. Paul's Training College	Assembly Hall and Laboratories, St. Paul's Training College

Resolved, That Plans No. 1292 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Nuisances, and that Plans No. 1295 be approved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 21st July, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Davies, Councillors Jamieson, Rees Jones, Sawyer, Steel and Taylor (Alderman Baker in the chair).

1- Musical Afternoons—Mr. Teague attended the Meeting and the Committee considered the arrangements for the ensuing season. Resolved,

- (1) That the Concerts commence on the 9th November next, and end on the 9th April, 1915.
- (2) That Mr. Teague's Orchestra of 12 performers, to be augmented to 17 on Fridays, (including in each case himself as conductor) be engaged at £20 per week.
- (3) That Mr. Teague have the entire management of the Concerts under the direction of the Committee.
- (4) That Mr. Teague be allowed the use of the Town Hall free of charge on one day during the Season for a Benefit Concert
- (5) That the Corporation pay for the printing, piano hire, advertising and other expenses in connection with the Concerts hitherto paid by them, and take all receipts, including programme and refreshment rights.
- (6) That if the loss on the Concerts is more than £150 for the Season, Mr. Teague shall pay or allow to the Corporation 20 per cent. of any loss above this sum.
- (7) Subscriptions—That the terms of subscription and admission to the Concerts be as follows

Family Subscription Ticket, limited to four persons	1 11 6
Single Season Ticket ..	10 6
“ “ including reserved seat	1 1 1
Single Season Ticket for Children under 16	5 0
Single Admission ..	6
Book of 13 Tickets •••••	6 0

That a booking fee of 6d. be charged for reserved seat on Fridays.

Notice Board—That a Notice Board be placed in the Promenade near the Post Office similar to the present board at the corner of Oriel Road.

Refreshment and Programme Rights, etc.—That Tenders be invited for the right to supply Refreshments and Programmes at the Concerts, and also for the Printing and Billposting required during the Season. Resolved also. That the suggestions made by Mr. Teague as to the engagement of special Artistes, etc., be considered at the next Meeting.

2 —Clarence Square Garden—Read a letter from Mr. E. Parker asking that a large tree in the Clarence Square Garden, and also other trees, should be removed. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the large tree referred to removed, if in his opinion it is in a

dangerous condition, and that the other trees be inspected by the Committee at their next View Meeting.

3—Road from Evesham Road to Albert Road—Read, a letter from Mr. B. Platts, asking that the road from Evesham Road to Albert Road should be named, and suggesting that it should be named, "Chalet Road." Resolved. That the suggestion be not entertained.

4—Advertising—Mr. E. J. Burrow attended and submitted, as requested by the Committee, a scheme for circularising business firms calling attention to the suitability of Cheltenham for the establishment of a business such as a jam factory. The cost of the scheme was £10 10s.. Resolved, That the scheme be approved and that Messrs. E. J. Burrow & Co., Ltd. be instructed to carry this out at a cost of £10 10s.

Resolved also, That the half inch advertisement (twice weekly) in the leader column of the "Daily Mail" be continued for six months at a cost of £32 10s.

WILLIAM A. BAKER.

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 23rd July, 1914: Present—Councillors Haddock, Merrett, Rees Jones, Taylor, Smith and Wood (Councillor Merrett its the chair).

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

2—Applications for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received applications for a supply to a new Mission Hall in Naunton Lane, and also 4 houses. The cost of extending the main would be £23. Resolved. That the extension be made.

The Town Clerk submitted an agreement with Mrs. Skarratt, the owner of Farringford, London Road, giving the Corporation a wayleave to lay branch service mains from the service main to Farringford for supply to No. 5, Keynsham Bank and Cedar Lodge. Resolved, That the same be approved.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 16th July, 1914 : Present—Councillors Merrett, Sawyer and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 13th July, 1914 during last 3 years.	Average for corresponding period
Hewletts Springs	221,000 gallons	191,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	244,000 "	316,000 "

Leckhampton Springs	<u>29,000</u> “	<u>32,000</u> “
Total	494,000 “	539,000 “

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	13 th July, 1914.		13 th July, 1913.	
Hewletts		28,894,000 gallons		5,799,100 gallons
Dowdeswell	23ft. 6in.	59,209,000 “	28ft. 0in.	79,684,000 “
Leckhampton	10ft. 6in.	<u>1,418,000</u> “	11ft. 0in.	<u>1,486,000</u> “
Total Storage		89,521,000 “		86,969,000 “

2-Tewkesbury Isolation Hospital—The Borough Engineer reported that owing to alterations to the Tewkesbury Isolation Hospital a larger meter had been fixed and that application had been received for 3 fire hydrants. Resolved, that 3 hydrants be fixed at a rental of £1 1s. per annum for each hydrant.

3—Tewkesbury Water Works—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the provisional valuation made by the Inland Revenue Commissioners of the Tewkesbury Water Works under the Finance Act, 1909-1910, by which the original Assessable Site Value was put at £515, and the Gross Value £24,000.

4-Severn Navigation Bill—The letter from Mr. C. Bathurst, asking for a contribution towards his costs in connection with the petition presented by the Launch and Boat Owners against the Severn Navigation Bill, was further considered. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

5—Water Assessments—The Town Clerk reported that he had objected to the Assessment of the water mains, etc. in the Parish of Dowdeswell, Charlton Kings and Badgeworth, and that the same had been reduced as follows :—Badgeworth from £32 to £11, Charlton Kings £2912 to £1929, and Dowdeswell £840 to £650.

6—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered and the Rates settled and adjusted.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 17th July, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Bendall and Waghorne, Councillors Merrett, Rees Jones and Stewart (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—Supt. Hopkins reported that with the exception of the premises at the Whaddon Lane Allotments in the occupation of Mr. James Hedley, which were still under quarantine, the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

2—American Gooseberry Mildew Order, 1914—Read, a letter from the Board of Agriculture, enclosing a copy of the American Gooseberry Mildew Order, 1914, which prohibited the sale of

diseased gooseberries, and contained regulations as to the importation of the fruit and the cleansing of packages containing diseased gooseberries, etc.

3—Tuberculosis Order, 1914 -Read, a letter from the Board of Agriculture. forwarding copies of the Tuberculosis Order, 1914. The Order, which came into force on the 1st instant, contained various modifications of the provisions of the Order of 1913, which was revoked thereby. The Town Clerk reported that he had given public notice of the Order as directed by the Board.

4--Fire Brigade—The Captain reported that on the 30th ulto. the Brigade was called to a slight outbreak of fire at No. 21 Grosvenor Terrace. Damage, about £10. Brigade expenses, £3 10s.0d.. Also on the and inst. to an outbreak of fire at No. 3, Montpellier Walk. Damage about £300. Brigade Expenses £3 6s. 9d.

5—Transfer of Hackney Carriage Licence, No. 20—Read, an application from the Queen's Hotel Co., for the transfer of Hackney Carriage Licence No. 20 from Mr. F. Castle of 18 Bloomsbury Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

6—Motor Cab Drivers' Licences—Read, applications from Ernest P. Roebuck, of 3 Warwick Buildings, and Philip Edgar Hobbs, of Strawberry Cottage, Leckhampton, for a Licence to drive a Motor Cab. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to.

7—Regulation of Traffic—The Resolution passed at the last Meeting of the Council " That a Committee be appointed to investigate the existing traffic regulation within the Borough" was considered. Resolved, That Councillor Jamieson be asked to furnish details of his suggestions for the improvement and regulation of the traffic.

8—Borough Arms—Read, an application from Mr. F. J. Foice for permission to have the Borough Arms inscribed on the new shop front at No. no Promenade Villas. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

9—Petroleum Licence—Read, an application from the Anglo-American Oil Co., Ltd., of 9, Ombersley Road, Worcester, for a Licence to store 3000 gallons of petroleum spirit in a building adjoining the G.W. Railway. Resolved, That a Licence be granted, subject to a corrugated iron fence, 6 feet high, being placed round the building.

10—Music and Dancing—Resolved, That the question the of adoption of Part IV. of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1890, relating to Music and Dancing be adjourned, and that Supt. Hopkins be asked to submit a report on the matter.

WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

MUNICIPAL OFFICES SITES COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 15th July, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Margrett, Councillors Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith and Stewart (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Architects' Commission—Read, letters from Messrs. Healing & Overbury, stating with reference to the alterations and deductions made since Tenders were obtained, that under the scale of the Institute of Architects, they were entitled to (1) a fee for revising the plans, (2) 2 ½ per cent.

commission on the amount of the variations and adjustments in the quantities and (3) 3 per cent. commission on the difference between the actual cost of the work executed and the amount of the lowest original tender received, but in order to meet the Committee they were willing to accept a nominal fee of £5 5s. 0d. for revising the plans and a commission under items 2 and 3 of 1 ½ per cent. and 2 per cent. respectively. Resolved, That this offer be accepted.

2 Clerk of Works—Read, a letter from Messrs. Healing and Overbury, recommending that a " part-time" Clerk of Works would be sufficient, and suggesting that Mr. L. Saunders, of 11 Chester Street, Cirencester, should be appointed at £2 2s. 0d. a week. Mr. Saunders had previously acted as Clerk of Works under them and was at present in their employ and had assisted in the taking of measurements and the preparation of the specification and quantities, and was thoroughly conversant with the work to be carried out. If this recommendation was adopted, the architects were willing to make a further allowance of £25 from the amount of their commission. Resolved, That Mr. L. Saunders be appointed Clerk of the Works at £2 2s. 0d., it being understood that at least half of his time should be given to the work.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 15th July, 1914 Present — Aldermen Davies and Waghorne, Councillors Jamieson, Rees Jones, Steel and Taylor, Messrs. G. Dimmer and H. Stroud (Councillor Rees Jones, in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that 557 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum since the 17th ulto. Mr. R. P. Wild had lent two Fossil Mammoth Teeth found at Stroud and one modern Elephant's Tooth. 32 favourable replies had been received from Artists for loan of pictures for the Autumn Exhibition. Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to Mr. Wild for his loan.

2.-Baron de Ferriere's Collection—Resolved, That the Painting of Fruit and Flowers by Jan David de Heem, in the Baron De Ferriere's Gallery, be repaired at a cost of £3 3s. 0d.

3 - Collection of Fossils--The Curator reported that the Collection of Fossils required to be rearranged and classified, and that Mr. Wild was willing to undertake this for a payment of £10 Resolved, That the offer be accepted.

4-- Water Colour Drawings—Resolved, That the eight water colour drawings by the late Mr. Sydney Herbert, submitted to the Committee, be purchased for 35/-

T. REES JONES, Chairman.

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MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 17th July, 1915, Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Bendall, Councillors Blakeney, Haddock, Merrett, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the chair).

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths during April, May and June, 1914, were as follows :—

£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts 225 2 11	Expenses	126 15 11
	Interest and Redemption	134 0 0
£225 2 11		£260 15 11

2--Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths during April, May and June, 1914, were as follows :—

£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts 172 3 4	Expenses	147 13 3
	Interest and Redemption	83 15 0
£172 3 4		£231 8 3

Children's Gala—The Superintendent of the Alstone Baths suggested that a Children's Gala should be arranged on the 28th September, when the free tickets offered by the Committee to the children attending the Elementary Schools proving themselves most efficient in swimming are presented, and asked that the free use of the Baths should be given for the occasion. Resolved, That the suggestion be approved and that the free use of the Swimming Bath be granted for the Gala.

Swimming Bath—Read, a letter front the Hon. Secretary United Girls' Club, calling attention to the slippery condition of the tiles round the Swimming Bath and asking that some cocoanut matting should be provided. Resolved, That the matter be considered at the end of the season, and that in the meantime the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the tiles cement washed.

Salary of Superintendent—Read, an application from the Superintendent of the Alstone Baths for an increase of Salary, Resolved, That his salary be increased from £95 to £100 per annum.

3—Mineral Waters--The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during June last was 1452 compared with 1261 for the month of June, 1913. The number of bottles of concentrated Water sold during June last was 174 as compared with 187 for the corresponding month last year.

Resolved, That application be made to the Local Government Board for a Provisional Order amending the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, and the Cheltenham Provisional Orders, 1892 and 1898, so as to empower the Corporation to grant exclusive rights in regard to the use, manufacture and sale of the Water from any of the Mineral Water Wells belonging to the Corporation or in which they have an interest.

4—Recreation Grounds—Gifts to Naunton Park—The Superintendent of the Naunton Park Recreation Ground reported that flowers had been presented by the following: Mrs. St. Clare Ford, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. H. G. Margrett, Mrs. Clissold, Alderman Bendall, Councillors Silk, Smith and Jamieson, Major P. Shovel', Messrs. Cypher & Sons, Worman & Amos, J. Mayo, J. Player, and T. E. Rickerby. Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the donors.

5—Football—Read, applications from Martyn's Athletic (Saturday) the Boot Trade, the United Companies and the Junior Imperial League (Wednesday) Association Football Clubs for permission to

play during the coming season at the Agg Gardner Recreation Ground, and from Naunton Park (Rugby) and St. Philip's (Wednesday) Football Clubs to play at Naunton Park, and from Whaddon United and St. Mark's and Y.M.C.A. (Wednesday) Clubs to play at Whaddon Lane. Resolved, That the applications be granted subject to the usual conditions.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 22nd July, 1914 Present—Councillors Rees Jones, Steel, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Stewart in the chair).

The Committee met at the Cemetery.

1—Entrance Doors, etc., of Chapels—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the three entrance doors, etc., to the Chapels cleaned off and varnished, and the ceilings of the porches whitened, and also the other entrance doors painted and grained.

2 —Plants —Resolved, That the sum of £10 be allowed for the plants supplied from Pittville this year.

3—Greenhouse—The Committee considered the question of providing a Greenhouse at the Cemetery. Resolved, That Tenders be invited for providing a greenhouse, together with heating apparatus, and that the Council be recommended to authorise this Committee to accept a satisfactory tender.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 14th July, 1914: Present—Alderman Davies, Councillors Merrett and Steel, Messrs. J. R. Claridge, E. Gridley, A. Miles, E. C. Rogers and H. Stroud (Councillor Steel in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts : £2 10s. 7d. Presentations : Directors of Cheltenham Gas Light and Coke Co. (1 vol. and 8 pamphlets), R. Glegg (2 vols.), Regan Paul & Co. (1 vol.), Trustees of British Museum (6 vols.), University Tutorial Press (1 vol.) The number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library from the 15th June to the 11th July (21 days) was 1,495 as compared with 1,480 for the corresponding period last year. The number of volumes issued from the Lending Library was 7782 as compared with 8045. 5 volumes of Books for the Blind had been issued during the month.

2—Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 13th inst. Present : Alderman Davies, Councillor Merrett, Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge (Alderman Davies in the chair).

They recommended

That the Tender of Messrs. Cedric Chivers, Ltd., for the Binding of Books for the ensuing year be accepted.

That the half-yearly publication " Best Books " be purchased at a cost of 3/- per volume.

That the monthly periodical " The Epoch " offered by Mrs. James Allen, the Editor, be accepted.

That the offer of the Cheltenham Branch of the National Union of Railwaymen to present weekly their paper "The Railway Review " be accepted.

That the books submitted for approval be purchased for the sum of £1 18s. 9d.

That the Librarian be authorised to attend the Annual Conference of the Library Association to be held at Oxford from September 1st to 4th.

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

R. STEEL,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 23rd July, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Steel, Silk, Wilkins and Winterbotham (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—Read, the Report of the thorough Accountant, dated the 24th inst., on the collection of the first instalment of this Rate. Amount collected, £13,753 9s. 7d. Leaving outstanding, £13,041 18s. 1d.

2—Water Rate —The Report of the thorough Accountant, dated the 24th inst., on the collection of this rate for the half year ending the 29th September next was read. Amount collected, £7,206 15s. 11d. Leaving outstanding, £5,848 4s. 5d.

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3—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that he had received £200 on loan at 3 ¾ per cent. Resolved, That Debentures be sealed and issued accordingly on account of the Electric Lighting £18,756 Loan.

He also reported that he had arranged for the continuance of loans of £1000 and £1000 at 3 ¾ per cent. Resolved, that the Debentures be endorsed accordingly.

4—Reciprocal Investment of Sinking Funds—The Borough Accountant reported that the Reading Corporation were willing to lend £5,000 if a similar amount were advanced to them, the loans to bear interest at 3 ½ per cent. and to be for 10 years. Resolved, That subject to the security offered being approved by the Town Clerk, the sum of £5000 be advanced to the Reading Corporation out of the Sinking Funds, and that Debentures be issued for a like amount to be advanced by the Reading Corporation.

5—Education Loans—Read, a letter from the Local Government Board, enclosing sanction to a loan of £278 in respect of the alteration and completion of the Marlboro' House Domestic Science Centre, the term for repayment being 50 years.

6—Sharpness, etc., Canal Company and Worcester Corporation— Read, a letter from the Town Clerk of Worcester, stating that the Sharpness Canal Company had given notice of appeal to the House of Lords against the decision of the Court of Appeal, that the Canal Company were liable to support, maintain and keep in repair the bridges sufficiently to bear the ordinary traffic of the district which might reasonably be expected to pass along the highway, and asking, as the matter was one of importance to local authorities, that the Corporation should contribute towards their costs of the appeal. Resolved, That the Council are unable to make any contribution.

7—Winter Garden Read, a letter from Messrs. Somerald & Co., on behalf of the Lessees, asking the Corporation to accept a surrender of the lease of the Winter Gardens. Resolved, That this be agreed to upon the terms contained in the draft surrender submitted by the Town Clerk.

8—Accounts--The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last Meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer. The Treasurer's Accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following was the General Statement :—

In hand on the 30th June last		1,194 16 9
Received since that date (including Loan £200)		<u>18,664 4 4</u>
		19,859 1 1
Paid since that date		<u>19,625 13 1</u>
	In hand	233 8 0
being Sinking Funds Accounts	6,971 19 0	
"Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts	<u>57 2 10</u>	
	7,029 1 10	
General Account	<u>6,795 13 10</u>	
	233 8 0	

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Friday, the 31st July, 1914, at 3 p.m. Present : THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen :

RICHARD DAVIES CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL

Councillors :

EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS
STANLEY WYNDHAM JAMIESON ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES
WILLIAM SAWYER WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

Apology.—An apology for non-attendance was received from Councillor Taylor.

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1—Minutes of Previous Meetings—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council on the 6th July instant having been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2—Monthly Meeting—It was Resolved, That in the event of the visit of the 1st Battalion Gloucester Regiment being fixed for the 7th September, the next Monthly Meeting of the Council be held on Tuesday, the 8th September.

3—Gift of Recreation Ground—The Mayor laid before the Council the following letter received from Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney and Co., solicitors, on behalf of Mr. W. H. Horsley :—

DEAR SIR,-

With reference to our letter to you of the 4th inst., we are desired by our client, Mr. W. H. Horsley, to say that, in view of the objections which have been publicly raised to the site of the proposed Recreation Ground, and also to the cost of the laying-out and keeping-up of the ground, he does not wish to hold the Corporation to their acceptance of his gift if there should be any desire to withdraw from it. While he would be glad to carry out his proposal, he would not like his wish to benefit the town to be the cause of any difference either among the members of the Corporation or his fellow-townsmen. Perhaps you will kindly let us hear from you again after the next meeting of the Council.

Yours faithfully, WINTERBOTHAM, GURNEY AND CO.

Memorials were received from Mrs. Potter Gilmore and other owners and occupiers of houses in the neighbourhood of the proposed Recreation Ground, stating that they were of opinion that this would be detrimental to the surrounding property, and asking that the offer of Mr. Horsley should not be accepted. Resolved, That the letter and memorials be referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration and report.

4—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 13th and 20th July inst., be approved and confirmed.

5—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 14th and 22nd July inst., be approved and confirmed.

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6—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 21st July inst., be approved and confirmed.

7—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 23rd July inst., be approved and confirmed.

8—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 16th July inst., be approved and confirmed. Water Assessment—Charlton Kings—Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to appeal to the next General Quarter Sessions of the Peace for the County against the General District Rate made by the Urban District Council of Charlton Kings in respect of the assessment of the Water Works Undertaking situate in the Parish of Charlton Kings, and that he be authorised on behalf of this Council to enter into a recognizance in regard to such appeal before a Justice of the Peace with two sufficient sureties as required by the provisions of Section 269 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and that the Common Seal of the Corporation be affixed to such authority.

9—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 17th July inst., be approved and confirmed.

10—Municipal Offices Sites Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Municipal Offices Site, Committee, at their Meeting of the 15th July inst., be approved and confirmed.

11—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 15th July inst., be approved and confirmed.

12—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 17th July inst., be approved and confirmed.

13—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 22nd July inst., be approved and confirmed, subject to the following Amendment, viz. : That the Resolution to Minute No. 3 (Greenhouse) be not approved. •

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14—Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 14th July inst., be approved and confirmed.

15—Finance Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 23rd July inst., be approved and confirmed.

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

Reciprocal Loan of £5,000—Resolved, That the Debentures to be issued under the Local Loans Act, 1875, to the Reading Corporation as security for the £5,000 to be advanced by them be issued in respect of the loan for £4,000 authorised to be raised for Sewage Disposal works by sanction of the Local Government Board dated the 14th day of January, 1913, and for £1,000 part of the loan of £34,385 authorised to be raised by sanction of the Local Government Board dated the 30th day of August, 1907, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Debentures.

16—Notice of Motion—Councillor Rees Jones gave Notice of his intention to move at the next Monthly Meeting of the Council :—

That the Resolution to Minute No. 4 with reference to the gift of a Recreation Ground passed at the Meeting of the Council on the 6th July, 1914, be rescinded, and that the further consideration be referred to the General Purposes and Watch Committee to bring up a report as to the cost of laying out the ground and the annual cost to the ratepayers for the up-keep.

17—Winter Garden—Lease—At the conclusion of the business the Council went into Committee to consider the question of the lease of the Winter Garden.

Mayor.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

MINUTES of the Committees of the Town. Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 7th September, 1914.

COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of the Council in Committee held at the Town Hall on Friday, the 31st July, 1914:

Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Bendall, Davies, Margrett and Waghorne, Councillors Jamieson, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Sawyer, Silk, Smith, Steel, Stewart, Wilkins and Wood (The Mayor in the Chair).

Winter Garden—An offer from Mr. S. C. Field to take a lease of the Winter Garden was considered. Resolved, That a lease of the building for seven years be granted to Mr. Field on payment of a rent at the rate of £600 per annum (reducible to £500 on punctual payment) and also 7 ½ per cent. on the valuation of the furniture, &c., to be taken over by the Corporation from the present lessees, the rent to be payable by weekly instalments. The lease to contain similar covenants and conditions as in the present lease, and also a condition entitling the Corporation to determine the lease by one month's notice at any time if the rent shall be in arrear for more than three weeks.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 10th August, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Councillors Steel and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles —The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. -32 Cleveland Street, 1 to 7 Grosvenor Cottages, 3 and 12 Glenfall Street, 1, 9, 10 and 17 Victoria Place, 8 All Saints' Terrace, Petley Cottage, Lower Alstone. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Overcrowding at 6 Providence Square, 15 and 51 Worcester Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3--Cleaving and Whitewashing at 32 and 33 Cleveland Street, 7 Witcombe Place, 8 Providence Square, 13 Victoria Place, 4 Edward Terrace, 32 Albert Street, Walford Cottage, Lower Alstone—The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

4—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 15 Pittville Lawn, and 43 Brunswick Street—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a

nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved. That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

5--Insanitary Property-32 and 33 Cleveland Street, 6 Witcombe Place, 10, 11, 16 and 24 Victoria Place, 30 Albert Street. St. Peter's, Petley Cottage, Lower Alstone — The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6 Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Order—Read, an application from Mrs. Gardiner, of Prestbury Park Dairy, Bath to be registered as a purveyor of milk. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

7—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 24th ulto. 60 lbs. of beef were surrendered and destroyed as unfit for food ; on the 1st inst. 2 hind-quarters of beef, and also on the same date a fore-quarters of beef were seized and destroyed on a Magistrate's Order.

8—Staff in Health Department—The Medical Officer of Health reported that Mr. J. R. Jefford (assistant inspector and clerk). and Mr. L. H. Surman (junior clerk), who were members of the Territorial Forces, had been called for active service. Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health be authorised to appoint a temporary clerk at a salary not exceeding 25/- per week.

9-Gloucester Place—Defective Sewer—The Borough Surveyor reported that a portion of the brick sewer in Gloucester Place was defective, and he recommended that the sewer should be renewed for its entire length with a 9-inch pipe sewer at a Cost of about £150. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and the work carried out.

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10—Elmstone Street—Sewer--The Borough Surveyor recommended that the existing brick sewer in Elmstone Street should be replaced by a pipe sewer at a cost of £20. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the work carried out.

11—Post Mortem Room—Read, a letter from Dr. Conder with reference to the Post Mortem Room. Resolved, That the same be referred to the Medical Officer of Health.

12—Report of Farms Sub-Committee--The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 10th inst. Present : The Mayor, Councillors Steel and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair).

Farms Manager's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Farms Manager. The number of livestock on the Farms on the 11th inst. was 16 horses (not including 6 at Depot), 250 head of cattle (including 7 calves), 163 sheep (including 57 lambs), and 35 pigs, all doing fairly well. Since the last Meeting, 87 sheep (including 34 lambs) had been purchased for £160, and 47 head of cattle (including 2 calves) for £628 3s. 6d. (Total purchases, £788 3s. 6d.) 6 calves and 29 pigs had been bred on the Farms. 83 sheep (including 42 lambs) had been sold for £165 6s. 11d., 28 head of cattle (including 9 calves) for £372 9s. 10d., 1 horse for £24, and 8 pigs for £11 14s. 0d. (Total sales, £573 0s. 9d.)

Shooting over Farms—Offers were received from Mr. Baring Bingham and Mr. G. McIlquham to continue the shooting over the Hayden and Hayden Knoll Farms at the same rents as last year, viz., £7 and £5 respectively. A letter was also received from Mr. B. Gee, of Staverton House, with

reference to the shooting over the Hayden Farm. Resolved, That the offers of Mr. Bingham and Mr. McIlquham be accepted for the season ending the 31st March next. Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 24th August, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

13—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-12 and 31 Glenfall Street, 10 Sherborne Place, 8 and 9 Montpellier Avenue, 13 and 20 Roman Road. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

14—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 56 Townsend Street, 20 Granville Street, 15 Albert Street, 8 Providence Square, 28 and 29 Millbrook Street, 13 Roman Road, 4 Glenfall Street, and 24 Upper Park Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby, Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

15—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at Alpha Villa, Hanley House, and 4, 5 and 29 Gloucester Place. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

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16—Insanitary Property—6 and 20 Granville Street, 15 Albert Street, St. Peter's, 56 Townsend Street, Painswick Mews, 2 Pretoria Terrace, 4 Victoria Place, West Cottage, Alstone Croft, Tivoli Garage, Hatherley Street, 5 Gloucester Cottages, Gloucester Road, 1 Trent Cottages, Gloucester Place. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

17—Notices not Complied With—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Notices requiring the abatement of nuisances caused by overcrowding of rooms, defective floors and roofs, &c., and the provision of ash receptacles, which had been served but not complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to compel compliance.

18—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—1 and 2 York Place. Demolition Order—The Committee further considered the question of making a Demolition Order in respect of 1 and 2 York Place.

Resolved, That the Council are of opinion that these dwelling houses have not been rendered fit for human habitation, and that the necessary steps are not being taken with all due diligence to render them so fit, and that an Order be now made in pursuance of Sub-section (2) of Section 18 of the Housing, Town Planning, etc., Act, 1900, requiring the demolition of the premises. Resolved also, That the Common Seal be affixed to the said Order and that notice of such Order be given to the owners.

19—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat as follows, viz :—On the 13th inst. 2 loins of beef, on the 13th and 14th inst. a quantity of pigs' and beasts' offal, and on the 18th inst. 3 pieces of pork. (Total weight destroyed: 3 cwts. 3 qrs. 15 lbs.)

20—Maternity and Child Welfare—Read, a letter from the Local Government Board stating that an estimate had been laid before Parliament for a grant to be distributed by the Board in aid of the expenditure of local authorities and voluntary agencies in respect of institutions or other provision for maternity and child welfare. The grant, if voted, would be made in aid of expenditure in respect of clinics, dispensaries, or other institutions primarily concerned with the provision of medical and surgical advice and treatment, as well as in respect of the salaries of health visitors, &c. Subject to the estimate being accepted by Parliament, the Board were willing to consider applications for grants in respect of any work falling within the scope of the scheme outlined in the memorandum accompanying the letter, and the grants would normally amount to one-half the approved expenditure, but may be less if the Board so decide. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned.

21—Bye-Law as to Spitting—Read, a letter from the Home Office stating that the Secretary of State would be prepared to approve a Bye-law in the model form, but that he did not see his way to extend the Bye-law so as to prohibit spitting on paved footways. Resolved, That the following Bye-law be now made, viz.

"No person shall spit on the floor, side or wall of any public carriage, or of any public hall, public waiting room or place of public entertainment, whether admission thereto be obtained upon payment or not.

"Any person offending against the foregoing Bye-law shall be liable to a penalty of not exceeding Forty shillings." Resolved also, That the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that application be made to the Secretary of State for formal confirmation of the same.

22-Delancey Hospital—The Town Clerk submitted draft Clause required by the Leslie Young Trustees to be inserted in the scheme with reference to the bequest of £2,000 made to the Delancey Hospital and the income derived therefrom. Resolved, That the Clause as now settled be approved.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 11th August, 1914: Present— The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Bendall, Councillors Mann, Merrett and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

1- -Street Projection--Read, an application from the Cheltenham Gas Co. for permission to place a projecting lamp outside No. 10 Winchcomb Street. Resolved. That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

2—Land at Corner of St. George's Place and Manchester Street—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the fence round the land at the junction of St. George's Place and Manchester Street repaired.

3—Imperial Square (Road in front of 1-13, Imperial Square—Private Improvement Expenses—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in this street had been carried out by the Corporation at a cost, including supervision, of £68 5s. 9d., and in compliance with the instructions of the Committee he submitted an apportionment in accordance with the degree of benefit to be derived from the works. Resolved, That regard be had to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived from the works, that the apportionment as now settled upon this basis be approved, and that Notices thereof and of demand for repayment be served upon the owners of the premises mentioned therein.

4—Alstone Lane (from Rose Cottages to Penharva)—Private Improvement Expenses—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in this street had been carried out by the Corporation at a cost, including supervision, of £134 4s. 1d., and this sum he had apportioned against the abutting owners according to frontage. Resolved, That the apportionment be approved, and that Notices of the same and of demand for repayment be served upon the abutting owners.

5—Corporation Employees on Active Service—The Borough Surveyor asked for instructions with reference to the payment of wages to the employees of the Corporation on active service. Resolved, That the employment of all the men in the service of the Corporation be kept open for them until their return, and that they be allowed half wages during the time they are on active service, such payment to be made to the dependents of the men. Resolved also, That the matter be further considered at the end of one month.

6—Sandpits, Swindon Road—Read, a letter from Messrs. Webb Bros., Ltd., offering to sell the Sandpits near the Midland Railway for the sum of £750. Resolved, That the offer be not entertained.

7—Street Cleansing, &c., in North Ward--With reference to the suggestion of Councillor Dr. Blakeney, the Borough Surveyor reported that he had arranged for a hand truck to be put on in this district, so that the Tewkesbury Road may be swept daily and the other streets as frequently as may be necessary.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 31st August, 1914 : Present—Aldermen Baker, Bendall and Margrett, Councillors Mann, Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

8--Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work done by the Highways Department from the 24th July to the 27th August (both inclusive) had been as follows:—Roads Repaired—Market Street (3,200 square yds.), Naunton Crescent (6,300 square yds.), North Place (1,760 square yds.), Swindon Road, Lansdown Road (proceeding).

Roads Patched—Ambrose Street, St. George's Place, St. James' Square. Electricity Trenches Repaired—Albert Street (St. Paul's), Battledown Approach, Evesham Road, Greville Terrace, High Street, Knapp Road, Montpellier Spa Road, Montpellier Street (rear of), Montpellier Terrace (rear of), Queen's Circus, Queen's Parade, Royal Well Terrace, St. George's Place, St. George's Road, Winchcomb Street.

Gas Trench Repaired—Swindon Passage.

Private Improvement Works—Gloucester Road, completed.

Roads Tarpainted—Ade Road, Bath Parade, College Road, Great Western Road (portion), High Street, Keynsham Road, Knapp Road, London Road, New Street, Ormond Place, Regent Street.

Footpath Paving Repaired—Clarence Street, Courtenay Street, Gloucester Place, Gloucester Road, Pittville Villas, St. George's Road.

Kerbing Repaired—Naunton Crescent.

Channelling Repaired—Francis Street, Gloucester Place, Naunton Crescent. Gullies Fixed—1.

Trees Pruned—Albert Road, Albion Street, All Saints' Road, Battledown Approach, Bayshill Road, Cemetery Road, Christ Church Road, College Road, Cranham Road, Dagmar Road, Eldorado Crescent, Eldorado Road, Fauconberg Road, Glencairn Park Road, Gloucester Road, Grafton Road, Hale's Road, Hewlett Road, High Street, Imperial Square, King's Road, Keynsham Road, Langdon Road, Lansdown Place, Lansdown Road, Leckhampton Road, Leckhampton Road to Old Bath Road (passage), London Road, Malvern Place, Malvern Road, Montpellier Drive, Montpellier Grove, Montpellier Parade, Montpellier Spa Road, Montpellier Terrace, Naunton Park Road, Old Bath Road, Oriel Road, Orrisdale Terrace, Overton Road, Painswick Road, Park Place, Pittville Circus, Pittville Circus Road, Prestbury Road, Priory Street, Rodney Road, Royal Well Terrace, St. Luke's Road, Sydenham Road, Sydenham Road S., Sydenham Villas Road, The Park, Vittoria Walk.

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 5 weeks ended the 20th August, 1914, 996 loads collected, 981 loads consumed, and 15 tipped away. Weight consumed, 956 tons 17 cwts. 3 qrs. Steam Generated -Hourly average, 5,846 lbs.

9—Report of Plans Sub-Committee—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 11th and 31st inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

Street Projections—Read, applications from the Cheltenham Gas Company for permission to place projecting lamps outside Nos. 156 and 337 High Street, 5 Colonnade, 3 Birdlip Place, Bath Road, and the entrances to the Arcade in High Street and Winchcomb Street. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

11—Trees in Hewlett Road—Read, a letter from Mrs. Merry asking that the trees opposite Beaconsfield, Hewlett Road, should be trimmed. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Trees Sub-Committee.

12—Bloomsbury Place—Mr. T. Malvern, architect, attended the Meeting and submitted a proposal on behalf of the Gloucester Co-operative and Industrial Society, Ltd., to substitute for the present passage-way between Stoneville Street and Bloomsbury Street (known as Bloomsbury Place) a paved footpath 6 feet in width as shown on the plan produced. Resolved, That the proposal be agreed to

subject to the footpath being paved and fenced, in accordance with a specification approved by the Borough Surveyor.

Resolved, That it is expedient that the existing highway or footpath known as Bloomsbury Place, leading from Stoneville Street to Bloomsbury Street, should be stopped up and diverted along a new footpath 6 feet wide, to be formed on the land on the West of the said footpath as shown in the plan now submitted, the Council being satisfied that such new footpath will be nearer and more commodious to the public than the existing highway, and that the Mayor do, by order in writing, direct the Town Clerk on behalf of the Council, acting as Surveyors of Highway's, to apply to two Justices to view the said highway, the expenses attending such view and the stopping up and diversion of the said highway to be repaid to the Council by the Gloucester Co-operative and Industrial Society, Ltd.

13— Fountain— The Town Clerk reported that under existing circumstances Mrs. Drew thought it would be best to dispense with any ceremonial unveiling of the fountain presented by her and the late Mr. J. W. Drew, and proposed to have it erected as soon as possible. Resolved, That this be approved.

14—Land in Bennington Street—Read, A letter from Mr. W. W. Bastin of 23, Bennington Street, complaining that the unfenced land in Bennington Street opposite his premises was used for immoral and indecent purposes and was causing inconvenience and annoyance to the public. Resolved, That notice be served under Article IV. of the Cheltenham Order, 1896, upon the owner, requiring him within 14 days to fence in the land, and that in default of the work being carried out the Borough Surveyor be instructed to fence in the land and that proceedings be taken for recovery of the expenses incurred.

15—Road at Rear of College Lawn—Private Improvement Works—The Borough Surveyor submitted Specification, Plan and Estimate of the Works required to be done to the above Street. Resolved, That the same be approved ; and that Notice be given under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said Street, requiring to be 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, and the Cheltenham Improvement Act. 1889.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 11th August, 1914: present—Alderman Bendall, Councillors Merrett, Steel and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
1278	F. E. Jenkins	Two Houses, Sandfield Estate, Arle Road (amended plans)

1296 J. Player New Observatory, Thirlestaine Hall, Thirlestaine Road

Resolved. That Plan No. 1278 be disapproved, and that Plan No. 1296 be approved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Monday, the 31st August. 1914 Present—Alderman Bendall, Councillors Merrett, Steel and Stewart (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

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

No. of Plan	Name.	Description.
1297	Smith and Palmer	New Washhouses, Green's Place, Tewkesbury Road.

Resolved, That the plans be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 26th August, 1914: Present — The Mayor, Alderman Baker, Councillors Rees Jones, Sawyer, Steel and Taylor (Alderman Baker in the chair).

1 Musical Afternoons— The Committee further considered the arrangements to be made for the ensuing Season. Mr. Teague attended the Meeting. Resolved, That the Season commence on the 12th October and end on the 12th March (22 weeks), and that the Resolution to Minute No. 1 at the last Meeting be varied accordingly.

Programme Rights--Resolved, That the offer of Messrs. H. G. Norman, Ltd., of £15 for the sole right to publish and supply programmes at the Concerts be accepted.

Billposting—The following tenders were received for the billposting required during the Season :—

Shakespeare Shenton • •	£5 2 0
Cheltenham Billposting Co. •	6 6 0

Resolved, That the tender of Mr. Shenton be accepted.

Printing— The Committee considered the tenders (4) received for the printing required. Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. Harvey and Healing (the lowest) be accepted as follows :—

2000 3-page Circulars	£1 2 6
125 3-sheet Bills, one colour ..	1 2 0
50 Weekly Inset Bills, one colour	3 0
50 Double Crown Posters	6 0

2—Pittville Estate—Read a letter from Messrs. Young and Gilling stating that a client wished to establish a Private Nursing Home at Percy House, Wellington Square, and asking if the Corporation, as owners of the Pittville Estate, would raise any objection thereto. A letter was also received from Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney and Co., on behalf of owners of adjoining properties, objecting to the proposal. Resolved, That Messrs. Young and Gilling be informed that the Council cannot release or waive observance of any of the covenants for the protection of the Pittville Estate.

3—Advertising—Mr. E. J. Burrow attended the Meeting and submitted a scheme for advertising Cheltenham as a Spa. The scheme included —

(1) Reprinting of 3,000 copies of the Cheltenham Spa pamphlet at a cost of	£11 5 0
(2) Distribution of 2,000 copies of booklet and guide to medical practitioners in the United Kingdom—postage, &c. .	4 18 0
(3) Advertisements in the "British Medical Journal" and "Lancet"	<u>6 6 0</u>
	£32 9 0

Resolved, That the scheme be approved and that Messrs. Burrow, Ltd., be instructed to carry out the scheme forthwith.

4—Winter Garden—Read, letters from Mr. C. Gill Smith and Mr. S. Shenton asking to be allowed to make an offer for taking a lease of the Winter Garden.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 27th August, 1914 : Present—Councillors Haddock, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith, Taylor and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he tested the gas on the 25th instant for illuminating power, with the following result, viz., 14.7 candles The test for purity on the 18th instant showed 22 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

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

3—Public Lighting—Read, a letter from the Board of Trade calling attention to the necessity which arises for economy in arc lighting in consequence of the shortage of carbon due to the stoppage of importations from Germany, and suggesting that, for the time being, arc lighting for public and other purposes should be superseded by some other method. Resolved, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to substitute Half Watt lamps for 80 existing arc lamps.

4—Loan for Probable Extensions of Mains—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that it was necessary to apply for a further loan for probable extensions of mains. Resolved, That application be made to the Local Government Board for sanction to a loan of £2,000.

5—Naunton Lane—The Borough Electrical Engineer recommended that 5 electric lamps should be substituted for 4 existing gas lamps in Taunton Lane. The cost of laying the main at the same time as the private supply main would be £25. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and that 3 months' notice be given to the Gas Company for the removal of the 4 gas lamps.

6—Lighting of Halland Road and Moorend Street—Read, a memorial from Mr. W. Conacher and others, and also a letter from Mr J. Alcock, with reference to the lighting of Halland Road and Moorend Street. Resolved, That the Committee inspect these roads at their next View Meeting.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 31st July, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Bendall and Margrett, Councillors Merrett, Sawyer and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Tewkesbury Works-- Tenders for Coal—The Borough Engineer submitted a report of the test of the various coals for which tenders had been received. Resolved, That the tender of the Princess Royal Colliery Co. for the supply of Coleford high delf rough small coal, at 13/11 per ton, be accepted, subject to a contract being entered into to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 20th August, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Bendall and Margrett, Councillors Merrett, Sawyer and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

For 30 days, ended 17th August, 1914 Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.

Hewletts Springs	219,000 gallons	191,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	242,000 "	316,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	<u>28,000</u> "	<u>32,000</u> "
Total	489,000 "	539,000 "

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	17 th August, 1914.		17 th August, 1913.	
Hewletts		21,369,000 gallons		5,546,100 gallons
Dowdeswell	20ft. 6in.	46,683,000 "	24ft. 0in.	61,264,000 "
Leckhampton	9ft. 6in.	<u>1,283,000</u> "	8ft. 0in.	<u>1,081,000</u> "
Total Storage		69,335,000 "		67,891,000 "

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

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 25th August, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Merritt, Rees Jones and Stewart (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—Supt. Hopkins reported that no further outbreak of Swine Fever had occurred since the last Meeting.

2—Potatoes (Corky Scab) Order, 1914—Read, a letter from the Board of Agriculture forwarding a copy of the Potatoes (Corky Scab) Order, 1914. The Order required the notification of all cases of the disease known as Corky Scab and would come into operation on the 1st proximo. The Town Clerk reported that he had given public notice of the Order by means of posters and handbills.

3—Swine Fever (Regulation of Movement) Order, 1914—Read, a letter from the Board of Agriculture enclosing a copy of the Swine Fever (Regulation of Movement) Order, 1914, which modified the Order of 1908 by permitting swine intended for immediate slaughter to be moved on a Declaration instead of a Licence being required.

4—Suspension of Orders—Read, a letter from the Board of Agriculture forwarding a copy of an Order made by the Board suspending, until otherwise ordered by the Board, the Tuberculosis Order, 1914, the Parasitic Mange Order 1911 (except Article 7 prohibiting the removal, &c., of animals affected with Parasitic Mange), the Sheep Dipping Orders of 1907, 1908 and 1909, and the Sheep Scab Orders of 1909, 1910, 1911 and 1914. The Town Clerk reported that Public Notice of the Orders had been given as requested by the Board.

5— Surplus Stocks of Seedling Vegetables—Read, a letter from the Board of Agriculture asking horticulturists, both owners of private gardens and market gardens, to preserve for distribution to allotment holders and cottagers their surplus stocks of seedling vegetables suitable for autumn planting. Resolved, That an advertisement be inserted in the "Echo" calling attention to the request of the Board, and that Mr. Chas. Castle be asked to arrange for the distribution of any surplus stocks to allotment holders and others.

6 --Report of Fire Brigade Captain—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that on the 14th inst. the Brigade was called to an outbreak of fire at No. 88, High Street. Damage, £7. Brigade expenses, £2 18s. 0d. Also on the 18th inst. to an outbreak of fire at No. 6, Colonnade. Damage, £2. Expenses, £3 6s. 0d. Property insured in both cases. The Captain also reported that two members of the Brigade had been called up for active service, and that their places had been temporarily filled until their return.

7—Motor Cab Driver's Licence—Read, an application from Mr. Thomas J. Roebuck, of 15, Suffolk Road, for a licence to drive a motor cab. Mr. Roebuck attended the Meeting. Resolved, That a licence be granted.

8—Horse Carriage Driver's Licence—Read, an application from Mr. Charles Flint, of 3, Prospect Terrace, Fairview Street, for a licence to drive a horse hackney carriage. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

9—Gift of Recreation Ground, &c.—Read, a letter from Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney and Co., on behalf of Mr. W. H. Horsley, stating that he had no desire in any way to place the Corporation in a difficult position, and that he therefore withdrew his offer of the land and cottage homes.

10—Cinematograph Act, 1909—Read, an application from Mr. Samuel C. Field for a licence for the Winter Garden under the Cinematograph Act, 1909. Resolved, That a licence be granted for one year subject to compliance with the Regulations of the Secretary of state, and subject also to the same conditions as those contained in the licence granted to the former lessees.

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11—Housing (No. 2) Act, 1914—Read, a letter from the Local Government Board forwarding a print of the Housing (No. 2) Act, 1914, under which the Board of Agriculture, in respect of agricultural districts and the Local Government Board elsewhere, were authorised, with the approval of the Treasury, to make arrangements with Local Authorities or authorised Societies for the provision, maintenance, improvement and management of dwellings and gardens and other works or buildings for persons belonging to the working classes. The Treasury were authorised to issue sums not exceeding £4,000,000 for capital expenditure under the Act, and advances would be made at the rate of interest at which the Government may be able to borrow. The period for repayment of loans would be 80 years for land and 60 years for buildings. It was intended that the sums available under the Act should be utilized for the joint purposes of providing and improving housing accommodation for the working classes and of preventing or mitigating unemployment in the building trades, and the Board asked to be informed of any scheme which the Council desire to submit. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to consider and report upon the matter at the next Meeting.

12—Pawnbroker's Certificate—Read, an application from Mr. Harry Higgins for renewal of his pawnbroker's certificate, which expired on the 9th November last. Resolved, That this be granted.

13--Re-numbering of Hayward's Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted a plan showing the re-numbering of this street. Resolved,, That the same be approved and the houses in Hayward's Road re-numbered accordingly.

14—Licence to Store Petroleum Read, an application from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co., Ltd., for a licence to increase the storage of petroleum at Stretton's Garage from 500 to 2,000 gallons. The Inspector reported that the place of storage was satisfactory. Resolved, That the quantity authorised by the existing licence be increased to 2,000 gallons.

15—Unemployment—Read, a letter from the Home Office asking the Council to bring to the notice of shopkeepers in the Borough the following Resolution which was unanimously adopted at a conference of all the leading London retail traders held at the Home Office, viz :— "That it is neither desirable nor necessary in existing circumstances to dismiss any assistants, but that if economies in carrying on of business are necessary that they should be met by other means." Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to forward a copy of the letter to the representatives of the various local Trade Associations.

16--Music and Dancing—The question of adopting Part IV. of the Public Steath Acts Amendment Act, 1890, was further considered, together with a Report from Supt. Hopkins. Resolved, That the Council be not recommended at the present time to adopt Part IV. of the Act.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 21st August, 1914: Present—Alderman Baker, Councillors Haddock, Merrett and Silk (Councillor Haddock in the chair).

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April to 31st July, 1914, were as follows :—

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts	297 11 10	Expenses	281 12 6
		Loans—Interest and Redemption	<u>178 13 4</u>
	£297 11 10		£460 5 10

2—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April to 31st July, 1914, were as follows :—

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts	253 6 1	Expenses	242 7 4
		Loans—Interest and Redemption	<u>111 13 4</u>
	£253 6 1		£354 0 8

3—Mineral Waters Sales—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during the month of July was 1850, as compared with 1533 for the month of July, 1913. The number of bottles of Concentrated Water sold was 336, as compared with 254.

4—Advertising—Mr. E. J. Burrow attended the meeting and suggested that the present was an opportune time to bring the Cheltenham Waters to the notice of medical practitioners and others. Resolved, That the suggestion be approved, and that the Medical Officer of Health be asked to prepare a circular for distribution with a pamphlet giving the analyses of the Mineral Waters to medical practitioners in various parts of the United Kingdom.

5—Football at Recreation Grounds—Read applications from the Junior Imperial and SL Paul's Rugby Football Clubs for permission to play at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground. Resolved, That permission be given to the St. Paul's Rugby Football Club to play at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground and to the Junior Imperial Football Club to play at the Naunton Park Recreation Ground subject to the usual conditions.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 2nd September, 1914: Present — Councillors Dodwell, Haddock, Merrett and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the chair).

6—Mineral Waters—Read, a letter from the Local Government Board enclosing sanction to a loan of £1,000 for the pumps, pipes, &c., required to give a supply of Mineral Water under the Agreement with the United Chemists' Association, the term for repayment being 25 years.

Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to obtain the pumps and piping and put the work in hand forthwith.

Mr. H. Miller (Managing Director of the United Chemists' Association), with Mr. H. Stroud, solicitor, attended the Meeting and urged the importance of providing the pumps and pipe line with the least possible delay. In the meantime the Company would take all the bottled Mineral Waters which the Corporation could make with the present plant, and it was suggested that the Corporation should increase their output as much as possible.

Conference with Doctors—The Chairman reported that he had attended, with the Town Clerk, a conference with the medical practitioners on the 1st instant with a view to obtaining their co-operation with the Corporation in their efforts with regard to the Spa. At the meeting a Medical Committee was appointed and a request had been made that each medical practitioner should be furnished with a further supply of Dietary Cards and also with a card containing information as to the Waters and Medical Baths. Resolved, That the request be complied with.

Visitors' Accommodation Association—The Town Clerk also reported that a Meeting of the Members of the Visitors' Accommodation Association had been held with reference to the matter. Resolved, That a supply of Dietary Cards be furnished to Members of the Association and others trilling to co-operate with the Corporation and Medical Committee

Show Card—Mr. Burrow attended and submitted proof of a Show Card for exhibition by Chemists, advertising the Cheltenham Spa and Baths. The United Chemists' Association, Limited, were willing to pay half the cost of printing and packing cards and would undertake the distribution of the Show Cards to 2000 chemists at their own cost. The cost to the Corporation would be £5 15s. Resolved, That the proposal be approved.

7—Montpellier Baths--Resolved, That the Montpellier Baths be connected with the telephone system.

P. HADDOCK,
Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 28th August, 1914: Present—Councillors Mann, Rees Jones, Stewart, Steel and Winterbotham (Councillor Stewart in the chair).

1—Designs—Resolved, That the following Designs be approved. viz..—Headstones to graves of George Andrew Tovey, Rose Hannah Grimes, Arthur S. Gilbert, Alice Constance and James Wood, and William and Sarah Ann Lang.

J. STEWART,
Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 1st September, 1914 : Present—Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Steel, Wilkins and Winterbotham (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—Read, the Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 1st inst., on the collection of the first instalment of this Rate. Amount collected, £23,041 16s. 1d. Leaving outstanding, £3,753 11s. 7d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 1st inst., on the collection of this rate for the half year ending the 29th September inst. was read. Amount collected, £11,280 8s. 10d. Leaving outstanding, £2,056 12s. 7d.

3—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that he had received £400 and £100 on loan at 3 ¾ per cent. Resolved, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of Sewage Disposal Loans.

He also reported that he had arranged for the continuance of a loan of £2,000 at 3 ¾ per cent. Resolved, That the Debenture be endorsed accordingly.

4—Audit of Corporation Stock Accounts—The Borough Accountant reported that on the 28th and 29th July he audited the 3 per cent. Stock Accounts at the National Provincial Bank, London, and found the same in order, and that he had made the half-yearly Return to the Inland Revenue Authorities as to stamp duty.

5—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last Meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer. The Treasurer's Accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following was the General Statement :—

In hand on the 24th July last	233 8 0
Received since that date (including Loans £5,500)	<u>31,187 3 9</u>
	31,420 11 9
Paid since that date (including Sinking Funds Invested £5000)	<u>20,715 9 2</u>
	10,705 2 7
being General Accounts	8,061 8 0
Sinking Funds	2,611 8 11
"Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts	<u>32 5 8</u>
	10,705 2 7

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 7th Sept., 1914, at 3 p.m. Present :

THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen :

WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT

Councillors :

THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART PETER PHILIP TAYLOR THOMAS WILKINS
JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM FRANK CHARLES DODWELL PERCY HADDOCK WILLIE JOHN
MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK WALTER JAMES FREDERICK
WOOD

Apologies. —Apologies for non-attendance were received from Alderman Davies and Councillors Jamieson and Mann.

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1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council on the 31st July last having been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2—Postal Deliveries—Read, a letter from the Postmaster, Cheltenham, stating that until further notice there would be three deliveries of letters and parcels each day commencing at 7 a.m., 1-30 p.m. and 7 p.m. (except on Wednesday, when the last delivery will commence at 5 p.m.), and that the deliveries commencing at 11-15 a.m. and 5 p.m. would be discontinued for the present in consequence of the War.

3—Council in Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Council in Committee, at their Meeting of the 31st July last, be approved and confirmed.

4—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 10th and 24th August last, be approved and confirmed.

5—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 11th and 31st August last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following amendment, viz :—That Minute No. 5 (Employees on Active Service) be referred back for further consideration.

6—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 26th August last, be approved and confirmed, and that the Resolution to Minute No. 1 of this Committee's proceedings on the 21st instant re Musical Afternoons be varied accordingly.

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

8—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meetings of the 31st July and 20th August last, be approved and confirmed.

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

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10—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meetings of the 21st August last and 2nd September inst., be approved and confirmed.

11—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 28th August last, be approved and confirmed.

12--Finance Committee--Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 1st September inst., be approved and confirmed. Resolved also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

13—Town Hall—Read, a letter from the Hon. Secretary, Cheltenham Philharmonic Society, asking for the free use of the Town Hall on the 28th October, on which date it was proposed to give a Concert in aid of the War Relief Fund. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to out-of-pocket expenses for lighting, cleaning, etc., being paid by the Society.

Mayor.

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Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 5th October, 1914.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 14th September, 1914 : Present—Councillors Blakeney, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood (Councillor Rees Jones in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles —The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-10, Sherborne Street, 12 and 31 Glenfall Street, 9, 12, 17, 26, 38, 59 and 60 Upper Park Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Cleansing and Whitewashing at, 1 Victoria Place, 3, 9, 12, 17, 24, 35, 36, 37, 47, 49, 51 and 59 Upper Park Street, 4 and 5 Glenfall Street, and 49 Rutland Street—The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

3-Nuisances front Drain., etc., at 117 High Street, 11 upper Park Street, 2, 3, 31 and 32 Gloucester Place—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the &c., on or belonging to the abovenamed houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to this Committee.

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Alpha House, Hanley House, and 29 Gloucester Pace —The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc.. on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specifications of works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved and that Notice be given under Section 4t of the

Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works
Within 21 days.

4—Insanitary Property-49 Rutland Street, 3, 9, 16, 45, 57 and 58 Upper Park Street, 4 and 15 Glenfall Street— The Medic Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

5—Houses without proper Water Supply—Cottages at Arle in occupation of F. C. Fletcher and S. M. Clare- It appearing, on the report of the Borough Surveyor, that the above premises were without a proper Water Supply, but that such supply could be furnished at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts, Resolved, That Notice be given under Section 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owner requiring him to obtain such a supply and do all things as may be necessary for that purpose.

6—Insufficient W.C. Accommodation—House adjoining Duke of Sussex Inn, Swindon Road—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that these premises were without sufficient w.c. accommodation Resolved, That Notice be given to the acorn or under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, requiring the provision of a sufficient water closet within 28 days.

7—Houses unfit for Human Habitation-52 and 53 Rutland Street—The Medical Officer of Health made a representation that these dwelling-houses were in a state so dangerous to health as to be unfit for human habitation, and he recommended that the houses should be closed. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting, and that in the meantime Notice be given to the owners of the premises of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order.

13 and 14 King Street Gardens—With reference to the representation made by the Medical Officer of health in respect of these premises, the Inspector of Nuisances reported that the premises had been altered by the owners for use as a store.

8—Destruction of Diseased Meat The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 29th ulto. 44 lbs. of unsound beef were surrendered and destroyed.

9—Staff in Health Department—Read, a letter from Mr. C. E. Holifield, Assistant Inspector of Nuisances, resigning his appointment, as he had obtained a similar appointment at Lewisham, and asking to be allowed to terminate his appointment on the 156 inst. Resolved, That the request be granted.

Resolved, That Mr. F. R. Jefford, Junior Inspector (who is now serving with the 5th Batt. of the Gloucestershire Regt.), be promoted on his return to the vacant post at the same salary as paid to Mr. Holifield, viz., £85, rising by £5 per annum to £100. Resolved also, That a Junior Certificated Inspector be appointed at a salary of £65 per annum, and that the Council be recommended to authorise this Committee to appoint a suitable applicant.

10—Small Pus- Read, a circular letter from the Local Government Board calling the attention of Local Authorities to the importance of having in immediate readiness adequate arrangements for dealing with any cases of small pox which may appear, and enclosing a memorandum on the steps to be

taken on the notification of any case. Resolved. That the letter and memorandum be referred to the Medical Officer of Health.

11—Report of Farms Sub-Committee--- The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 14th inst. Present : Councillors Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood (Councillor Rees Jones in the chair).

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Farms Manager's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Farms Manager. The number of livestock on the Farms on the 16th inst. was 16 horses (not including 6 at Depot), 234 head of cattle (including 9 calves), 114 sheep (including 34 lambs), and 35 pigs, all doing very well. Since the last Meeting, 60 head of cattle (including 8 calves) had been sold for £951 2s. 4d., 39 sheep (including 23 lambs) for £69 12s. 10d., and 4 colts for £192. (Total sales, £1,212 15s. 2d.) 36 head of cattle (including 2 calves) had been purchased for £450 18s. 6d., and 4 colts for £97. (Total purchases, £547 18s. 6d.)

Resolved, That the Manager be authorised to purchase a quantity of wheat straw required for thatching, &c., and also a second-hand dung cart. Resolved also, That the Manager be instructed to plant as much wheat as possible, and to confer with the Chairman of this Sub-Committee as to the acreage to be so planted.

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

T. REES JONES,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 21st September, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

12—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-2 Malvern Villas, 13 and 20 Roman Road, Grosvenor Brewery, Walford Cottage, West Cottage, 10 Sherborne Place, 8 and 9 Montpelier Avenue, 186, 231 and 425a High Street, 3 Angle Cottages, 3 Langton Terrace, 53 Queen Street, and 9 Russell Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

13—Overcrowding at 16 and 22 Union Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof requiring them to abate the same.

14—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 4 Malvern Cottages, 13 Roman Road, 9 Russell Street, 9 Barnard's Row, 3 and 4 Little's Court, and 30 Worcester Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby, Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

15—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, and 50 Keynsham Street. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

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16--Insanitary Property—1 and 3 Malvern Cottages, Moorend Street, 2 Pretoria Terrace, Petley Cottage, West Cottage, Lower Alstone, 5 Gloucester Cottages, 85 Upper Bath Road, Elephant and Castle Inn, Tewkesbury Road, and 9 Russell Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

17—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—27 Sun Street and 11 Grove Street—The Medical Officer of Health made a representation that these dwelling houses were in a state so dangerous as to be unfit for human habitation and he recommended that the houses be closed. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting and that in the meantime notice be given to the Owners of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order.

18—Notices not Complied With—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Notices requiring the abatement of nuisances caused by dirty walls and ceilings, defective floors and walls, &c., and the provision of ash receptacles, which had been served but not complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to compel compliance.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 15th September, 1914: Present—Aldermen Baker, Bendall and Margrett, Councillors Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

1—Trees Sub-Committee--Resolved, That a Meeting of the Trees Sub-Committee be held on Friday, the 18th inst., at 2-30 p.m.

2—Flooding of Rowanfield Road—The Borough Surveyor reported the receipt of complaints with reference to the flooding of Rowanfield Road. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for the Committee to view.

3—Damage to Fence—The Borough Surveyor reported that on the 12th inst. the fence of No. 98, Upper Bath Road was knocked down by one of the horses hired by the Corporation running away. Resolved, That, without prejudice, the Borough Surveyor be authorised to provide and fix a new plinth.

4—Footpath between Priory Street and Keynsham Street—Resolved, That the Committee inspect this footpath at the next View Meeting.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 28th September, 1914 : Present—Alderman Bendall, Councillors Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

5-Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work done by the highways Department from the 23th August to the 24th September, 1914, (both inclusive) was as follows.—

Roads Repaired—Francis street, 1,440 square yards ; Swindon Road, 14,355 square yards.

Roads Patched—All Saints' Road, Gloucester Road, Hewlett Road, Hewlett Street, Montpellier Retreat, Montpellier Street, Montpellier Walk, Pittville Circus Road. Post Office Lane, Prestbury Road, St. James's Square, Trafalgar Street, and Winchcomb Street.

Electricity Trenches Repaired—Christ Church Road, Gloucester Road, Hewlett Road, Leamington Place, Naunton Lane, Suffolk Road, and Western Road. Gas Trench Repaired—Rowanfield Road. Water Trench Repaired—Leckhampton Road.

Private Improvement Works—Arle Road (proceeding). Footpath Paving Repaired—Francis Street, Hewlett Road, Monson Avenue, Naunton Crescent, Swindon Road, Townsend Street.

Kerbing Repaired—Swindon Road.

Channelling Repaired—Swindon Road.

Water Pillar-Stand Paved—Swindon Road.

“Westrumite” Laid—Lansdown Road (proceeding).

Gateway Crossing Relaid—One in Parabola Road.

Sewer Ventilating Shafts Painted-62.

Trees Pruned—Albert Road, Ambrose Street, Andover Road, Berkeley Street, Christ Church Road, Clarence Road, Clarence Square, Eldorado Crescent, Eldorado Road, Evesham Road (rear of), Hewlett Road, Monson Avenue. Montpellier Street, Pittville Chalet Road, Pittville Crescent, Pittville Lawn, Promenade, Royal Well Lane, St. George's Road, St. James's Square, Selkirk Street, Tewkesbury Road, Tivoli Road, Tivoli Street, Vittoria Walk, Wellington Road and Wellington Square.

Tree Blown Down—Sycamore, Queen's Parade.

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During four weeks ended the 17th September, 1914-777 loads collected, 770 consumed and 7 tipped way. Weight consumed 749 tons, 3 cwts., 2 qrs.

Steam Generated—Hourly average, 6,075 lbs.

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

7 Report of Plans Sub-Committee—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meeting on the 28th instant. Resolved, that the same be approved and adopted.

8--Street Projections—Read, an application from the Cheltenham Gas Company for permission to place projecting lamps outside 23 Pittville Street, 159 High Street and 4 Birdlip Place, Bath Road. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the usual conditions.

Read, an application from Messrs. O. C. Hawkes, Ltd., for permission to place a sign projecting 3 feet outside No. 112, High Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the sign not being less than 15 feet above the pavement and not projecting more than 3 feet.

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9— Report of Trees Sub-Committee—The Trees Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 18th instant. Present Aldermen Baker and Bendall, Councillors Mann and Stewart (Alderman Bendall in the Chair).

After inspecting the trees, etc., in respect of which complaints had been received, they recommended as follows :—

St. George's Road—That the partly dead sycamore tree near 1 York Villas be removed.

Imperial Square—That the trees near Nos. 1 to 13 Imperial Square be pruned.

Promenade—That the trees on the west side from St. George's Road to Gloucester Lodge be pruned.

Parabola Road—That the dead wood be removed from oak tree near Marston.

Lansdown Place—That the trees in Lansdown Place be pruned similar to those in Lansdown Road.

Princes Road—That one silver birch and one lime tree be removed.

Fairfield Park Road—That the application for the planting of trees in this road be further adjourned.

Oriel Terrace—That the trees near No. 2 Oriel Terrace be pruned.

Upper High Street—That the tree on the east side opposite No. 11 Oxford Parade be removed and that the plane trees near Ashling Villas be pruned.

Hewlett Road—That the trees near Beaconsfield be pruned:

Pittville Circus Road—That the chestnut tree near Beech-Mount be removed.

Northfield Terrace—That the owners of the houses in Clarence Square be required to lop the trees which overhang the footpath.

Andover Road—That 4 or 5 acacias be planted.

Queen's Parade—That the 5 trees opposite Queen's Parade be removed and acacias planted.

Resolved, That the chestnut trees near Beech-Mount, Pittville Circus Road, be not removed but lopped, and that with this exception the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

10—Telegraph Poles— Ashford Road and Andover Street- Read, letters from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, asking for permission to place two telegraph poles and stay in Ashford Road, and a pole and stay in Andover Street at the back of No. 20 Park Place. Resolved, That permission be given, subject to painted poles being provided, and to the exact positions of the poles being approved by the Borough Surveyor.

11—Footpath in Russell Street (from Russell Place to Albert Street). Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up a plan and estimate of the works required to be done by the abutting owners.

12 —Lansdown Plate (Inner Road)—Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write, calling the attention of the proprietors of the rent charges received in respect of the houses in Lansdown Place to the condition of the private roadway in front of the houses.

13—Arle Road— Resolved, That the footpath in Arle Road from the Railway Bridge to Arle Village be tar-painted, &c.

14—Gloucester Road (opposite Alstone Grange) and Dunalley Parade (opposite Messrs. Holliday & Page's Land) — Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to communicate with the owners of Alstone Grange and the land in Dunalley Parade, adjoining Courtenay Street, with a view to their giving up land for improving the line of frontage as suggested by him.

15—Footpath Paving—The Borough Surveyor submitted a list of streets to be repaved. Resolved, That the Committee inspect these streets at their next View Meeting.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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PLANS SUB—COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Monday, the 28th September, 1914: Present - Alderman Bendall, Councillors Merrett, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

1—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notice and Plans of an intended New Building, viz.:—

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
1298	F. Palmer	Additions to St. Paul's Vicarage

Resolved, That the same be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 23rd September, 1914 Present — Alderman Baker, Councillors Jamieson, Rees Jones, Steel and Taylor (Alderman Baker in the chair).

1-- Musical Afternoons—A tender was received from Messrs. Georges Ltd. for the sole right of supplying refreshments at the Musical Afternoons of £7 10s to be increased to £10, £12 and £15 respectively, according to the receipts as set out in their letter. Resolved, That the tender be accepted.

2—Marle Hill Lake—The Medical Officer of Health attended the Meeting and submitted a report on the water weeds in the Marle Hill Annexe. By the treatment recently carried out, the " Chara " weed

had been entirely destroyed and the growth of the other weeds known as " Conferva " and " Zanechellia" had been checked, He recommended that the portion of the Lake above the bridge should be cleaned out, and that the wreck in the other part of the Lake should be treated again next Spring. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the catchpit of the upper lake cleaned out and that the question of cleaning out the Merle Hill Lake he adjourned.

3—Pittville Estate—Trees—Read, a letter from Mr. W. Gay, asking for the removal of trees opposite Sussex Villas Clarence Square. Resolved, That two trees be removed.

4—Advertisement Boards—Read, a letter from Mr. S. Field of the Winter Garden. asking for the use of the Advertisement Boards used in connection with the Summer Concerts. Resolved. that the application be acceded to.

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5—Illustrated Guide—The Town Clerk reported that the 3,000 guides recently purchased had been distributed, and that a further supply was required. Read, a letter from Messrs. E. J. Burrow, Ltd., stating that they were arranging for another issue of the guide, and would be pleased to present 5,000 copies to the Corporation free of charge, and also offering to supply additional copies of the guide at £7 per thousand. Resolved, That the offer of 5,000 guides free of charge be accepted, and that an additional 3,000 copies be purchased at a cost of £21.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 24th September, 1914: Present—Councillors Haddock, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith, Taylor and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he tested the gas on the 20th instant for illuminating power, with the following result, viz., 14.8 candles. The test for purity on the 16th instant showed 23 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

2—Lamps in Thirlestaine Road—Read, a letter from the Clerk to tire Gas Company with regard to a complaint by Councillor Jamieson that for a week the lamps in part of the road had not been lighted until after 7.45 p.m., stating that there had been considerable dislocation of the Company's staff owing to the number of men who had left for service with the army, but every effort would be made to adhere strictly to the hours of lighting.

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

4 —Arc Lamp Pillars—Resolved, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to have the Gordon and Montpellier Arc Lamp Standards painted.

5—Electric Light Arrears—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a list of the Electric Light Arrears for the June Quarter. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings for recovery of the same.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 17th September, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Bogdan and Margrett, Councillors Merrett, Sawyer and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 14th September 1914 period during last 3 years.	Average for corresponding
Hewletts Springs	206,000 gallons	454,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	255,000 "	592,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	<u>24,000</u> "	<u>29,000</u> "
Total	485,000 "	1,075,000 "

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
		14 th September, 1914.		14 th September, 1913.
Hewletts		19,879,000 gallons		5,596,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	17ft. 6in.	35,453,000 "	22ft. 0in.	52,756,000 "
Leckhampton	10ft. 0in.	<u>1,351,000</u> "	8ft. 0in.	<u>1,081,000</u> "
Total Storage		56,683,000 "		59,433,000 "

The Borough Engineer reported that he had received an application for a supply of water to Hester's Way Farm. The cost of the extension would be £36. Resolved, That the extension be made subject to an annual payment of £1 10. 0d. and the meter rent.

2—Hewlett's Reservoir—Resolved, That the Borough Engineer be authorised to purchase trout for re-stocking the Hewlett's Reservoir to the value of £5.

3—Dowdeswell Reservoir—The Borough Engineer recommended that the Dowdeswell Reservoir Basin should be cleaned out. Resolved, That the matter be considered at the next Meeting and that the Meeting be held at Dowdeswell.

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

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 22nd September, 1914: Present—The Mayor, The Deputy Mayor, Alderman Baker, Councillors Merrett, Rees Jones and Stewart (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—Supt. Hopkins reported that with the exception of the premises at Folly Lane and Whaddon Lane allotments, in the occupation of W. Hodges and J. Hedley, which were still in quarantine, the Borough was free from contagious disease amongst animals.

2—Fire Brigade—Report of Captain—The Captain reported that the Brigade had not been called to any outbreak of fire since the last Meeting. Report of Sub-Committee—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 7th inst. Present--Alderman Baker and Councillor Stewart (Alderman Baker in the chair). The Captain reported that 3 members of the Brigade were on active service and that 2 others had volunteered, and that he had temporarily filled their places. Resolved, That the action of the Captain be approved, and that the question of the payment of the retaining fees to the men during the time they are on active service be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

Resolved also, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for the residences of the temporary members of the Brigade to be connected to the electric bell system. Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

3—Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence —Read, an application from Edwin Bellingham, of 40, Granville Street, for a licence to drive a horse hackney carriage. Resolved, That a licence be granted.

4—Cinematograph Act, 1909—Albert Hall--Read, an application from Mr. Thomas Haywood Poynton for a licence under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, in respect of the Royal Picture House, North Street. Resolved, That a licence be granted for one year subject to the compliance with the regulations of the Secretary of State, and subject also to the same conditions as those contained in the licence granted to the former tenants. Read, an application from Mr. Cecil Gill Smith for renewal of the cinematograph licence in respect of the Hippodrome, Albion Street. Resolved, That the licence be renewed for one year on the same conditions as previously granted, except that conditions be added providing that only films passed by the British Board of Films Censors be exhibited ; that children under 14 years of age be not allowed to enter after 9 p.m. except accompanied by or in charge of a parent or guardian, and that highly inflammable materials such as cotton wool be not used for costumes of performers unless rendered and maintained fire resisting.

5—Licences to store Petroleum, &c.—On the report of the Inspector that the premises were satisfactory, Resolved, That the following applications for the renewal of licenses to store petroleum and carbide of calcium be granted for one year from the 5th proximo:—

Name.	Address.	Quantity Petroleum.	Quantity Carbide of Calcium. lbs.
Haines & Strange	19, Albion Street	250	112 lbs.
Powell, Gwinnell & Co.	34, Promenade	200	5 cwts.
A. Hughes & Co.	21, Pittville Street	50	
The Halford Cycle Co.	North Street		112 lbs
H. E. Steel, Ltd.	105, High Street	400	200 "
H. E. Steel, Ltd.	Plough Yard	1000	60 "
H. G. Norton & Co.	416, High Street	200	280 "
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H. G. Norton & Co.	Wellington Street	300	
H. G. Norton & Co.	Regent Street	1500	
Jacobs, Smith & Co.	104a High Street	50	
D. Davies & Co.	149, High Street	50	

T. W. Harvey,	180, High Street	100	
A. Lusty	196, High Street	50	
S. A. Sperry	264, High Street	40	
T. V. West & Co.	88, High Street	1000	3 cwts.
J. Brown	Early Dawn, High Street	130	
C. J. Bullock & Co.	50, Winchcombe Street	500	
J. Fisher & Sons	34, Winchcombe Street	100	
W. Mills & Sons	38, Winchcombe Street	350	112 lbs.
A. Mills & Co., Ltd.	75-76, Winchcombe Street	200	
A. Miles & Co., Ltd.	117, High Street	500	
R. E. & C. Marshall, Ltd.	5, Clarence Street	450	
E. S. Holloway	3, St. Mark's Emporium	100	
P. G. Shewell, J.P., C.C.	Cotswold	500	
J. Gapper	St. Bernard's Villa, Cleveland Street	80	
W. T. Smith	Montpellier Mews	100	
S. C. H. Dix & Co.	Northwick Terrace	20	
W. T. Baggs	4, St. Luke's Road	20	
The Bristol Tramways Co.	Bath Road	1000	
W. G. Tibbles	27, St. George's Place	100	
A. Williams & Co.	10, Portland Place	400	
Light Railway Co.	St. Mark's Depot	250	
The Gas Lighting Improvement Co.			
Adjoining G.W.R., St. James' Square		2500	
Anglo-American Oil Co.			
Adjoining G.W.R., St. James' Square		3000	
C. J. Lord	20, Upper Bath Road	50	72 lbs.
C. H. Reason	25, Lansdown Crescent	150	
Queen's Hotel Co.	Queen's Yard	200	

6—Regulation of Street Traffic—Resolved, That with a view to Regulations as to Street Traffic being made, application be made to the Secretary of State for an Order declaring Section 78 of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1907, to be in force in the Borough, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to give the necessary notice of intention to make such application.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

MUNICIPAL OFFICES SITES COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Saturday, the 12th September, 1914 : Present—Alderman Margrett, Councillors Merrett, and Rees Jones (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Loan for Alterations—Read, letters from the Local Government Board, enclosing sanction to the borrowing of £6,497 for the alteration of Nos. 22-26, Promenade, etc., the term for repayment being 30 years.

2—Heating—The architect (Mr. Healing) attended the Meeting. On his recommendation, Resolved, That the "Hyflo" Low Pressure System be adopted, and that tenders be invited by advertisement for carrying out the work.

3—Electric Lighting--Resolved, That tenders be invited by advertisement for the Electric Wiring and Fittings required at the New Offices.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 16th September, 1914: Present—Councillors Rees Jones and Steel, and Dr. E. T. Wilson (Councillor Rees Jones, in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that 1,786 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum since the 16th July.

The remounting and labelling of the centre collection of Geological Specimens had been completed by Mr. R. P. Wild and that this section of the department was now in good order.

Mrs. Mackay, of Rowanfield, had lent to the Gallery two oil portraits by Raeburn, viz., (1) Mrs. Mackay, daughter of Colin Campbell, of Glenure, and wife of George Mackay, of Highland Handa, (2) Patrick Cruickshank, of Stracathro.

Mrs. Mackay had also presented a piece of native woven and dyed cloth from Nigeria, together with some Chinese Dice Boxes, and Burmese Gambling Implements.

The Oil Portrait of the late Col. Rogers, V.D., J.P., by Haynes Williams, and the Plaster Bust by Thomas, which were bequeathed to the town, had been deposited in the Gallery.

The following presentations had also been received :—

Dr. E. T. Wilson. Five Pigmy Flints from Lakenheath, Suffolk.

Mrs. Griffiths, Oakfield. Framed Case of Pressed Pioneers.

Mr. R. P. Wild. Part of Roman Brick, and Base of Vessel, found near Gloucester.

Mr. J. Pilley. 2 Prints, Pittville Spa and Montpellier Spa.

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

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2—Collection of Greek and Roman Pottery—The Curator reported that Mr. Bushnell had offered to sell his collection of Greek and Roman Pottery, which was at present on loan in the Art Gallery, for £130. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting, and that in the meantime the Curator be instructed to ascertain what grant in aid will be made by the Victoria and Albert Museum.

T. REES JONES,

Chairman.

MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 18th September, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Benda, Councillors Blakeney, Dodwell, Haddock, Merrett and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the chair).

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April, to 31st August, 1914, were as follows :—

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts . ••	349 8 1.	Expenses	357 0 10
		Loans—Interest and Redemption	<u>223 6 8</u>
	£349 8 1		£580 7 6

2—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April to 31st August, 1914 were as follows :—

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts	298 7 11	Expenses	280 6 1 1
		Loans—Interest and Redemption	<u>139 11 8</u>
	£298 7 11		£419 18 7

3-Badminton -Read, a letter from the Hon. Secretary of the Cheltenham Badminton Club, stating that in consequence of the War, the Club had decided not to use the Alstone Baths this season, and asking that as the Council would save the cost of putting down and taking up the floor, an allowance of £10 should be made from the rent (£60). Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

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4—Mineral Waters—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during the month of August was 1095, as compared with 1281 for the month of August, 1913. The number of bottles of water sold was 306, as compared with 228.

5—Football at Recreation Grounds—Read, letters from the Hon. Secretaries of Martyn's Athletic, Naunton Park and Junior Imperial and Constitutional League Football Clubs, stating that in consequence of several of their members having volunteered for active service, they would not require the use of the Recreation Grounds during the ensuing Season.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 25th September, 1914 : Present—Alderman Baker, Councillors Dodwell, Mann, Steel and Stewart (Councillor Stewart in the chair).

1—Grants of Grave Spaces—Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants No. 4658 to 4672 (both inclusive) of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein which had been purchased.

2—Designs —Resolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz. :—Headstone to grave of Frederick Critchley, and Kerbing to grave of Elizabeth Caroline Mayer.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 15th September, 1914: Present—Councillors Merrett, Steel and Wilkins, Messrs. J. R. Claridge, E. Gridley, A. Miles, W. J. Moore (Councillor Steel in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts : £5. 4d. Presentations Gloucestershire Education Committee (a vols.), Canadian Department of Agriculture (1 vol.).

The issues from the Lending Library from the 13th July to the 12th September, 1914, numbered 17,558 as compared with 17,758 for the corresponding period last year. The number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library was 3,031 as compared with 3,222. 16 volumes of Books for the Blind had been issued during the month.

The Librarian reported that one of the Senior Assistants (Mr. Pritchard) had enlisted in the Army and left on the 31st ult. and he suggested that a junior Assistant at 6/- per week should be temporarily engaged. Resolved, That the Librarian be authorised accordingly.

2-Mutilation of Newspapers—The Librarian reported that on several occasions newspapers in the news room had been mutilated, and that on the 11th instant Charles Harwood, of 8, Dagmar Terrace was caught removing a portion of the Gardeners' Chronicle. Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration, and that Mr. Harwood be requested to attend the Meeting.

R. STEEL,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 29th September, 1914: Present—The Deputy Mayor, Councillors Rees Jones, Silk, Steel and Wilkins (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—General District Rate—Read the Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 29th instant, on the collection of the first instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £25,127 17s. 0d. ; leaving outstanding £1,667 10s 8d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 29th instant, on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending the 29th instant was read. Amount collected £12,462 5s. 2d. ; leaving outstanding £,265 14s. 10d.

3—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that he had received £100, £150 and £550 on loan. Resolved, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

4—Weighbridge Attendant—The Town Clerk reported the death of Mr. B. J. Constable, the attendant at the Tewkesbury Road Weighbridge and Collector of the North Ward Allotment Rents. Resolved, That the Borough Accountant be authorised to make temporary arrangements for carrying

on the work, pending the appointment of an Attendant and Collector by the General Purposes Committee.

5—Waterworks Assessment—The Town Clerk reported that the Charlton Kings Urban District Council had now agreed to the assessment of the water undertaking in the Parish of Charlton Kings being apportioned for the purposes of the General District Rate as follows, viz. : Reservoirs, &c., £325 ; Mains and Service Pipes, &c., £629.

6—Employees on Active Service---The Borough Accountant reported that 30 Employees of the Corporation (including 7 of the clerical stall) were on active service. Resolved, That the Council be recommended to pay as from the 1st prox. to all employees with dependents the difference between the Army maintenance allowance to such dependents and the wages formerly paid by the Corporation, and to pay to employees without dependents the difference between their Army pay and their ordinary wages.

Resolved also, That the payment of half-wages be continued up to the 30th inst.

7—Marlboro' House Domestic Science Centre—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the provisional valuation, made by the Inland Revenue Commissioners, of Marlboro' House Domestic Science Centre under the Finance Act 1909, by which the Assessable Site Value was put at £135 and Gross Value £450. Resolved, That the valuation be agreed to.

8—Mineral Waters--Resolved, That in making the application for a Provisional Order to amend the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, and the Cheltenham Orders, 1892, and (No. 2) 1898, authorised by the Council at their Meeting on the 31st July last, application be also made to amend the said Act and Orders, so as to empower the Corporation to borrow for the purposes of the said Act and Orders such further sums as may from time to time be sanctioned by the Local Government Board, and also for the several purposes of the application and for the purposes connected therewith, incidental to and consequent on those purposes to make such alteration and amendment of the said Act and Orders or any other Local Act or of any Act confirming a provisional order made in pursuance of any of the Sanitary Acts or of the Public Health Act, 1875, and in force in the Borough as may be necessary or desirable

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

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

In hand the 1st September last.....	10,705 2 7	
Received since that date (including Loans on Debenture Paid since that date £800)	<u>7,927 5 7</u>	
	18,632 5 5	
Paid since that date	<u>11,457 0 1</u>	
	In hand	7,175 8 1
being General Accounts		4,388 7 11
Sinking Funds		2,754 54 6
"Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts		<u>32 5 8</u>
		7,575 8 1

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 5th October, 1914, at 3 p.m. Present:

THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen : RICHARD DAVIES CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL

Councillors : JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY THOMAS REES JONES FRANK CHARLES DODWELL WILLIAM SAWYER

EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK STANLEY WYNDHAM JAMIESON ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

EDWIN CHARLES SILK ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART PETER PHILIP TAYLOR THOMAS WILKINS

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1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council on the 7th September last having been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2—Absence of Councillor Winterbotham—The Mayor reported that he had received a letter from Councillor Winterbotham informing him that he had enlisted in the Public School Battalions of Lord Kitchener's Army, and would be unable to attend any meetings until His Majesty has dispensed with his services. Resolved, That this be recorded on the Minutes of the Council.

3—Public Library Committee—Read, a letter from Mr. A. Beckingsale resigning, on account of ill health, his membership of the Public Library Committee. Resolved, That the Council regret that Mr. Beckingsale has found it necessary to resign his membership of the Committee.

4—Postal Deliveries—Read, a letter from the Postmaster, Cheltenham, stating that, commencing on the 5th instant, the daily deliveries of letters would be at 7 a.m., 11-15 a.m. and 5-30 p.m., instead of at 7 a.m., 1-30 p.m. and 7 p.m. as at present.

5—Display in aid of Belgian Refugees Fund—Read, a letter from Mrs. Pearson, of Pengwern College, asking for permission to announce that their Annual Athletic Display on the 18th prox., the proceeds of which would be given to the Belgian Refugees Fund, would be under the patronage of the Mayor and Corporation. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

6—Advertising—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Cheltenham and District Chamber of Commerce forwarding the following Resolutions passed at a meeting held by the Chamber at which there was a large attendance of traders :—

(1) "That this Meeting of Traders heartily approves of the prompt action of the Corporation in taking steps to promote the interests of the Spa of Cheltenham

(2) "That a Subscription List be opened for the purpose of providing a Fund to supplement the amount available for advertising by the Corporation."

7—Public Health Committee - Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meeting of the 14th and 21st September last, be approved and confirmed.

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8—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 15th and 28th September last, be approved and confirmed.

9—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 23rd September last, be approved and confirmed.

10—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 24th September last, be approved and confirmed.

11—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meetings of the 17th September last, be approved and confirmed.

12—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 22nd September last, be approved and confirmed.

13—Municipal Offices Sites Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Municipal Offices Sites Committee, at their Meeting of the 12th September last, be approved and confirmed.

14—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 16th September last, be approved and confirmed.

15—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 18th September last, be approved and confirmed.

16—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 25th September last, be approved and confirmed.

17—Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 15th September last, be approved and confirmed.

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18—Finance Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 29th September inst., be approved and confirmed

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

19—Notice of Motion—Councillor Blakeney gave notice of his intention to move at the next Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council " That for the future the proceedings of the Council be taken down in shorthand by an Official of the Corporation."

20—Memorials, Applications, etc.—Resolved, That the following Memorial and Letter be referred to the undermentioned Committees, viz. :—

Letter from F. May, re Fruit Market,

To the General Purposes and Watch Committee.

Memorial from Mrs. Snelus and others, re Nuisance on Land near Warwick Place,

To the Public Health Committee.

Mayor.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 9th November, 1914.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 8th October, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Councillors Rees Jones and Stewart (The Mayor in the chair).

1---Junior Assistant Inspector of Nuisances—The Committee considered the applications (38) received for the appointment of Junior Assistant Inspector, and selected 3 candidates to attend for interview on the 12th instant.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 12th October, 1914 : Present Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood (Councillor Rees Jones in the chair),

2-Houses without proper Ash Receptacles --The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-6, 15, 18, 19 and 45 Rosehill Street, 5 and 7 Springfield Place, 31 Portland Street, 6, 21 and 25 All Saints' Road, 2 and 3 Warwick Buildings. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

3-Overcrowding at 25 Queen Street-The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

4- Cleansing and Whitewashing at 6, 8, 10, 11 and 19 Rosehill Street, 5, 6 and 7, Springfield Place, and 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, Stretton Terrace, Rosehill Street, 7 and 21 All Saints' Terrace-The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and un- hole-some condition that the health of the

inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved. That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

5-Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41 and 51 Keynsham Street-The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

2, 3, 31 and 32 Gloucester Place -The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specifications of works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved and that Notice be given under Section 4t of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works Within 21 days.

6--Insanitary Property-8, 9, 11, 16, 19 and 24 Rosehill Street, 2 and 10 Brecon Terrace, and 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Stretton Terrace, Rosehill Street, 1 and 2 Woodbine Cottages, Lower Alstone-The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

7-Houses unfit for Human Habitation-Folly Cottage, Folly Lane-The Medical Officer of Health mad, a representation that these premises were in a state so dangerous to health as to be unfit for human habitation, and tie recommended that the house should be closed. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting, and that in the meantime Notice be given of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order.

11 Grove Street-With reference to the representation of the Medical Officer of Health that this house should be closed, Read, a letter from Messrs. Steel, Millard & Broom, on behalf of the Owner. Resolved, That, it appearing to the Council that the above-mentioned dwelling house is in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, an Order be now made pursuant to Section 17 (2) of the Town Planning, etc, Act. 1909, prohibiting the use of the said house for human habitation until the same has rendered fit for that purpose, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Order and that notice of such Order 1, given to the owner.

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52 and 53 Rutland Street---With reference to the representation made by the Medical Officer of Health that these dwelling houses should be closed, the Town Clerk reported that he had given Notice to Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney & Co., Solicitors for the Owners. Resolved. That it appearing to the Council that the above mentioned houses are in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, Orders be now made pursuant to Sec. 17 (2) of the Housing Town Planning, etc. Act, 1909, prohibiting the use of the said houses for human habitation, until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Orders, and that Notice of such Orders be given to the Owners.

27 Sun Street—With reference to the representation made by the Medical Officer of Health that this dwelling house should be closed, a letter was read from Mr. W. H. Dodwell, the owner of the

premises. Resolved, That it appearing to the Council that the above mentioned dwelling house is in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, an Order be now made pursuant to Sec. 17 (2) of the Housing Town Planning, etc. Act, 1909, prohibiting the use of the said house for human habitation, until the same has been rendered fit for that purpose, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Order, and that Notice of such Order be given to the Owner,

8—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of health reported the surrender and destruction on the 3rd inst. of a loin of beef, and on the 9th inst. the carcase and offal of a sheep, as unfit for food.

9—Sanatoria—Read, a letter from the Local Government Board, forwarding a list of Sanatoria approved by the Board under the National Insurance Act, 1911, for England and Wales.

10—Burning of Refuse—Read, a Memorial from Mrs. Snelus and other residents in Witcombe Place with reference to the nuisance caused by the burning of garden refuse on land near Witcombe Place. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to call the attention of Messrs. Hopwood and Sons to the complaint.

11—Report of Farms Sub-committee—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 12th inst. Present Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and 'Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair).

Farms Manager's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Farms Manager, The number of livestock on the Farms on the 12th inst. was 16 horses (not including 5 at Depot), 215 head of cattle (including 6 calves), 116 sheep (including 31 lambs), and 35 pigs, all doing very well. 3 head of cattle had been purchased for £32. 4 calves had been bred on the Farms. 25 head of cattle (including 7 calves) had been sold for £333 8s. 5d., and 5 sheep and 3 lambs for £14 5s. 0d. (Total sales, £347 13s. 5d.)

Resolved, That the Farms Manager be authorised to have 2 new grates provided to the cottages occupied by Messrs. Hopkins and Davies.

Resolved, That the Sub-Committee meet at the Farms on the 28th inst. at 10 a.m.

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

12--Junior Assistant Inspector of Nuisances--The following selected applicants attended the Meeting T. Lawson, Assistant Inspector, Cheadle (26 years), J. Jacketts, Assistant Inspector, Falmouth (23), and A. E. Tucker, Hon. Assistant Inspector, Torquay (23). Resolved, That Mr. J. Jackett be appointed on the terms and conditions set out in the advertisement inviting application, the appointment to be determinable by one month's notice on either side.

T. REES JONES,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 19th October, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and 'Wood (The Mayor in the chair

13—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. 9, 10, 11, 17, 24, 27 and 29 Bloomsbury Street, 9 Queen Street, 1.5 Malvern Street, 9 Russell Street, 3 and 4 Little's Court, 30

Worcester Street, 45 and 49 Fairview Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

14 —Overcrowding at 15 Worcester Street and 53 Queen Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof requiring them to abate the same.

15—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 43 Malvern Street, 3 St. John's Cottages, 9 Sherborne Place, 4 and Casino Place, and 236 High Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby, Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

16—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 Princes Street. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains. &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains and report to the Committee.

Crown Hotel Vaults, 91, 96, 97 and 98 Albion Street--The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specifications of works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved and that Notice be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, 10 the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

17--Insanitary Property-19, 36, 38, 42, 43 and 44 Malvern Street, 9 Russell Street, 6, 7 and 9 Barnards Row, and 3 and 4 Little's Court, New Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs. walls, ceilings, floors, &c. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

18—House unfit for Human Habitation—Folly Cottage, Folly Lane—With reference to the representation made by the Medical Officer of Health that this dwelling house should be closed, the Town Clerk reported that he had given Notice to the Owner. Resolved, That it appearing to the Council that the above mentioned dwelling house is in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, an Order he now made pursuant to Sec. 17 (2) of the Housing Town Planning, etc. Act, 1909, prohibiting the use of the said house for human habitation until the same has been rendered fit for that purpose, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Order, and that Notice of such Order be given to the Owner.

19—Notices not Complied With—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Notices requiring the abatement of nuisances caused by dirty walls and ceilings, defective paving, &c., and the

provision of ash receptacles, which had been served but not complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to compel compliance.

20—Destruction of Diseased Meat--The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction the 16th inst. of a box of unsound tripe (16 lbs.)

W. NASH SKILLICORNE.

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STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Collimate, held on Tuesday, the 13th October, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Bendall, Councillors Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

1—Street Projections -- Read, an application from the Cheltenham Gas Co. for permission to place a projecting lamp outside 22, Bath Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions. Read, an application from Messrs. Poole & Shenton for permission to place outside the Victoria Rooms two lamps projecting feet and 25 feet above the pavement. Resolved, That the application be acceded to

2—Lansdown Road—Read, a letter from Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney & Co., on behalf of Mr P. S. Chillingsworth of Fortfield, Lansdown Road, calling attention to the slippery condition of Lansdown Road. Resolved. That they be informed that instructions have been given for gritting the road.

3—Land at side of No. 34, Imperial Square—Read, a letter from Mr. H. Stroud on behalf of the overt of No 34, Imperial Square, stating that when the fence of the garden land on the south side was renewed in 1910 the fence was inadvertently set back two feet inside the boundary, and asking the Council to admit this as it was not desired to at once renew the fence. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned,

4--Northfield Passage—Read, a letter from Mr. C. W. Pratley, complaining that 2 trees in the garden of "St. Margaret's" interfered with the light of Nos. 13 and 14, Northfield Passage. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the owner of "St. Margaret's," asking for the trees to be lopped.

5—National Housing and Town Planning Council—Read, a letter from the National Housing and Town Planning Council, inviting the Council to appoint delegates to attend a Conference to be held at Bristol on the 11th and 12th of November, with reference to the administration of the Housing Act, 1914, etc. Resolved, That no delegate be appointed.

6 —Imperial Square Garden -Resolved, That the Town Improvement Committee be asked to undertake the future upkeep of the Imperial Square Garden.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 26th October, 1914 Present—Aldermen Baker and Bendall, Councillors Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

7 - Borough Surveyor.. Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 25th September to the 22nd October, 1914 (both inclusive), was as follows :--

Roads Repaired—Bath Road (Thirlestaine Road to Exmouth Street and Suffolk Road to Shurdington Road-3,537 sq. yds.), College Lawn (1,728 sq. yds.), Dunalley Street (5,328 sq. yds.), Henrietta Street (1,450 sq. yds.)

Roads Repaired with old Metal-Grafton Lane, Lane rear of Norwood Arms, Lane rear 01 Upper Norwood Street and Tudor Lodge Road.

Roads Patched-Arle Road, Gloucester Road, Grosvenor Terrace, Pittville Circus Road, Queen's Road and St. Paul's Road. Private Improvement Works completed—Ade Road.

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Electricity Trenches Repaired--Christ Church Road, Hewlett Road, Queen's Road, Regent Street, St. George's Road and Suffolk Road.

Gas Trenches Repaired—Cemetery Road.

Mineral Water Trenches Repaired—Bath Parade, Bath Road, Christ Church Road, College Road, Eldorado Road and Well Place.

Water Trenches Repaired—Baker Street, Bath Parade, Keynsham Road, Montpellier Walk and Swindon Road.

Footpath Paving Renewed—Bath Road (130 sq. yds.)

Footpath Paving Repaired—Albion Place, Bath Road and Parabola Road.

Footpath Tarpainted—Arle Road. Kerbing Repaired—Bath Road

Trees Pruned—All Saints' Road, College Road and Hewlett Road. Hedge Pruned—Arle Road.

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During four weeks ended the 15th October, 1914-804 loads collected, 797 consumed and 7 tipped way. Weight consumed, 836 tons, 9 cwts., 2 qrs.

Steam Generated—Hourly average, 5,435 lbs. (estimated).

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

9---Street Projections—Read, an application from Mr. J. J. Wood for permission to place an electric lamp outside Nos. 342-3, High Street, and from the Cheltenham Gas Co. to place a lamp outside No. 77, Upper Bath Road. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to subject to compliance with the usual conditions.

10—Albion Street—The Committee considered the tenders (3) received for paving the portion of Albion Street from Winchcomb Street to North Street with creosoted deal blocks, including the portion of the roadway repairable by the Light Railway Company, as follows:

Name.	Amount Payable by Corporation	Amount Payable by Light Railway Co.	Total amount of Tender.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Wm. Griffiths & Co. ..	1117 0 1	93 6 9	1210 6 10

The Improved Wood Paving Co., Ltd.	1099 13 1	91 18 3	1191 11 4
The Acme Flooring and Paving Co., Ltd.	1062 8 3	87 5 8	1149 3 11

Resolved, That the tender of the Acme Flooring and Paving Co., Ltd., be accepted subject to a contract being entered into, to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

11—Arle Road—Read a letter from the Midland Railway Co. asking the Corporation to undertake the construction of the carriageway, footway, and other work mentioned in the specification prepared by the Borough Engineer, for the sum estimated by the Borough Engineer, namely, £578. Resolved, That this be agreed to and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to carry out the work.

12—Arle Road (from West Boundary of Chosen View to Entrance to Midland Railway, Goods Yard)—The Borough Surveyor submitted Specification, Plan and Estimate of the Works required to be done to the above Street. Resolved, That the same be approved ; and that Notice be given under Section 44 of The Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said Street, requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, metalled, flagged, channelled or made good ; requiring them to do the specified Works within 28 days ; and that, if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act, and the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1899.

13—College Road Tip—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the iron fence of the College Road Tip tarred.

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14—Grazing—The Town Clerk reported that the present tenant of the grazing of the land in College Road had made a deed of assignment for the benefit of his creditors. Resolved, That offers be invited by advertisement for the grazing.

15—Slab Factory—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following statement of Accounts for the Slab Factory, for the half year ended the 24th September last :

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Surplus brought forward from 26th March, 1914	208 3 1
Sale of slabs and kerbs for half year ended 24th September, 1914	
For Corporation Departments	159 14 5
“ Private Customers ..	121 8 1
“Private Improvement Works	<u>83 2 0</u>
	364 4 6
Value of cement, etc., transferred to other departments ..	10 1 11
Slabs in stock, 24th September, 1914, at under cost price..	1190 6 10
Kerbs and channels, ditto, ditto ..	404 2 8
Value of cement and other materials in stock,	

24th September, 1914

21 8 3
Total £2,198 7 3

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Slabs in stock, 26th March, 1914, at under cost price	1370 1 1
Kerbs and channels, ditto, including sewage filter blocks	512 18 5
Value of cement and other materials in stock, 26th March, 1914	31 1 5
Wages and material for half year ended 24th September, 1914	10 19 7
Rates, taxes and insurance, ditto (estimated)..	12 3 9
Interest and sinking fund, ditto (ditto) ..	120 17 6
Surplus.	<u>140 5 6</u>
	Total £2,198 7

Note.—Value of slabs, etc., for street improvements, etc., supplied free of charge up to date £1,418 13s. 8d.

16--Dog Cart—The committee considered the offer received for the purchase of the dog cart formerly used by the Borough Surveyor. Resolved, That the offer of Mr. E. J. Millard of £4 be accepted.

17—Lame Horse, "Colonel "—Resolved, That the offer of the Farms Manager of £10 for the lame horse "Colonel " be accepted on the understanding that the horse will be kept for use on the Farms.

18- Montpellier Walk Cabstand—Resolved, That the General Purposes Committee be recommended to remove the Hackney Carriage Stand in Montpellier Walk near the new Fountain, this Committee being of opinion that the Stand opposite the Montpellier Gardens is sufficient for the carriages requiring to stand in Montpellier Walk.

19—Montpellier Parade—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to pave the footpath in Montpellier Parade.

20 -- Slippery Condition of Roads—Read a letter from Mr. A. W. Agg calling attention to the slippery condition of some of the roads in the Borough. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Borough Surveyor.

JOHN D. BENDALL, Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 21st October, 1914: Present—Alderman Baker and Davies, Councillors Green, Jamieson, Rees Jones, Sawyer, Steel and Taylor (Alderman Baker in the chair).

1-Musical Afternoons--Copyright Music—Read, letters from the Performing Rights Society, Ltd., with reference to the use of copyright music at the Musical Afternoon Concerts. Resolved, That a fee of eight guineas be paid to the Society for the right to use their copyright music during the Season.

2 - Promenade Long Garden—The Borough Surveyor submitted a plan showing a re-arrangement of the flower beds, etc., in the Promenade Long Garden. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned until the New Municipal Offices are completed.

3--Imperial Square Garden—Resolved, That the request of the Street and Highway Committee, that this Committee should be responsible for the future upkeep of the Imperial Square Garden, be acceded to.

4—Winter Garden--The Town Clerk submitted draft lease to Mr. S. C. Field, of the Winter Garden, for a term of 7 years at a rent of £600 per annum (reducible to £500 on punctual payment). The lease also contained similar covenants and conditions as in the lease granted to the previous lessees, and also a condition entitling the Corporation to determine the lease by 14 day's notice at any time if the rent shall be in arrears for more than 3 weeks. Resolved, That the same be approved and that the Common Seal be affixed to an engrossment thereof. The Town Clerk reported that the fixtures, furniture, &c., to be taken over by the Corporation from the late Lessees had been valued by Messrs. Cornelius & Boulter at £480 5s. 9d. The value of the fittings and fixtures which they recommended should be retained by the Corporation was £560 5s. 9d., and the value of the furniture and moveable property which they recommended should be taken by the new tenant was £320. The Town Clerk submitted Hire purchase agreement in respect of the furniture and moveable goods, which provided for payment by Mr. Field of a deposit of £20 for the option to purchase and for payment of quarterly instalments for three years, making a total payment, including deposit, of £350. The agreement contained a provision if the option to purchase was exercised before the expiration of the 3 years allowing a discount at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum for the anticipated period. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Hire-Purchase Agreement. Read, an application from Mr. S. C. Field, asking for the removal of the Ticket Office at the entrance to the Winter Garden. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting, and that such Meeting be held at the Town Hall.

5--Pittville Estate---Trees—Read, a letter from Mrs. O'Connor, asking for the removal of a tree opposite No. 4, Pittville Terrace. Resolved, That the request be not acceded to.

6—Advertising—Read, a letter from the Cheltenham Traders' Association, asking to be furnished with a daily weather report and sunshine record for use in connection with their proposed advertising scheme, and also suggesting that the stationery used by the Corporation should be headed Cheltenham Spa. Resolved, That the reply of the Town Clerk now submitted be approved. '

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 22nd October, 1914: Present—Councillors Green, Haddock, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith, Taylor and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he tested the gas on the 16th instant for illuminating power, with the following result, viz., 14.8 candles. The test for purity on the 20th instant showed 23 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

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

3—Applications for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received applications for supply to four houses in Oxford Street. The cost of extending the main would be £50. Resolved, That the extension be made.

4—Town Hall—Central Spa—Resolved, That if the proposal of the Traders' Association to provide a Band for visitors at the Central Spa is carried out, two Electric Radiators be lent by the Committee to be placed in the Large Drawing Room, and that the current required for the same be supplied for so long as the Band is provided.

5—Loan for Probable Extensions of Mains—Read, a letter from the Local Government Board, enclosing Sanction to a loan of £2,000 for probable extensions of mains, the period for repayment being 20 years.

6—Traction Supply—The Town Clerk submitted agreement with the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Company for the supply of Electric Energy required for traction. The agreement contained the terms negotiated with the Company by Mr. R. Hammond, and provided that the Company should pay 1.25d. per unit for the first 400,000 units, 1.20d. per unit for the next 100,000 units, 1d. per unit for the next 100,000 units, and $\frac{3}{4}$ d. for all additional units, and that in the first 3 years the Company should guarantee to take a minimum of 455,000 units per annum and a minimum of 400,000 units per annum during the remainder of the term. The Agreement to remain in force for 7 years from the 1st April, 1914. Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to the Agreement.

7—Tenders for Coal—Resolved, That the Committee report to the Council that they have accepted the tender of the Park Colliery Co., Ltd., for the supply of rough small steam coal from the High Dell' Seam of the Norchard Colliery at 10/8 per ton.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 15th October, 1914: Present—Alderman Margrett, Councillors Green, Merrett, Sawyer and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Dowdeswell Reservoir—The Committee met at the Dowdeswell Reservoir and inspected the Sedimentation Basin.

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 12th October 1914 during last 3 years.	Average for corresponding period
Hewletts Springs	204,000 gallons	449,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	241,000 "	589,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	<u>23,000</u> "	<u>28,000</u> "
Total	468,000 "	1,066,000 "

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
		12 th October, 1914.		12 th October, 1913.
Hewletts		19,399,000 gallons		7,074,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	14ft. 0in.	24,130,000	“ 20ft. 6in.	46,689,000
Leckhampton	7ft. 0in.	<u>946,000</u>	“ 6ft. 0in.	<u>811,000</u>
	Total Storage	44,475,000	“	54,574,000

3—Typewriter in Water Office—The Borough Engineer reported that the typewriter which had been in use in the Water Office for some years was worn out, and he submitted an offer from the Yost Typewriter Co. to provide a second hand machine for £10, the Company taking the old machine. Resolved, That the offer be accepted.

4—Land at the Mythe—Read, a letter from Mr. E. T. Smith, giving 6 months' notice to terminate his tenancy of a piece of land at the Mythe, Tewkesbury. Resolved, That offers be invited by advertisement for the tenancy of the land.

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

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 20th October, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Bendall, Margrett and Waghorne, Councillors Green, Haddock, Merrett and Rees Jones (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—Superintendent Hopkins reported that, with the exception of the premises at Whaddon Lane Allotments in the occupation of J. Hedley, which were still under quarantine, the Borough was free from contagious disease amongst animals.

2- -Fire Brigade—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that the Brigade had not been called to any outbreak of her since the last Meeting.

3—Fruit Market—Read, further letters from Mr. F. May and Mr. Castle with reference to the tenancy of the Fruit Market. Resolved, That the letter's be referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration and report, and that Mr. F. May and Mr. Castle be asked to attend the Meeting.

4—Keynsham Street Sub Post Office— Read, a letter from the Postmaster, Cheltenham, stating that the Postmaster of Keynsham Street Sub Post Office, who was a member of the Grocer's Association, had applied for permission to close his premises for Postal business, at 7 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, that being the hour the shop is now closed for private business, and asking if the Council raised any objection to the proposed restricted hours. The Post-master also stated that if any alteration was agreed to, it would be desirable that the hour of closing for Postal business should be uniform throughout the week. Resolved, That the Council are unable to agree to the proposed

earlier closing, as they are of opinion that this most cause considerable inconvenience to the inhabitants of the district.

5—Education Committee—Resolved, That the Council be recommended to re-appoint the Rev. Fairlie Clarke a member of the Education Committee, his term of office having expired on the 2nd instant.

6—Cheltenham District Insurance Committee Resolved, That Councillor Stewart be appointed a representative of the Council on the Cheltenham District Insurance Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation Alderman Bendall.

7—Cinematograph Act, 1909-- Read, a letter from Gillsmiths, Ltd., stating that they proposed to arrange a series of Sunday Concerts and cinematograph picture displays of War pictures and to give the proceeds towards purchasing an Ambulance for the War, and asking the Committee to waive the condition in the licence prohibiting the exhibition of films on Sunday's. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

8—Town Hall—Central Spa—Messrs. E. E. Martell and H. Simmons attended the Meeting on behalf of the Cheltenham Traders' Committee and stated that they were prepared to provide a band to play at the Central Spa each morning for 3 months from 11 a.m. to 12.45 p.m., and asked for the use of the Large Drawing Room, in which it was proposed to provide periodicals, etc., for visitors to the Spa. They also asked that some palms and ferns should be placed in the Corridor. Resolved, That this be agreed to

9—Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1907-- Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give notice of the intention of the Council to make application to the Secretary of State for an Order declaring the following Sections of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1907, to be in force in the Borough, viz., Sec. 79 to dangerous riding or driving Sec. 80 as to leading or driving animals, and Sec. 81 extending the definition of public place and street for the purpose of the Vagrancy Act, 1824, and Secs. 28 and 29 of the Towns' Police Clauses Act, 1847.

10—Gift of Fountain -Resolved. That the hearty thanks of the Council be conveyed to Mrs. Drew for the handsome fountain Presented to the Town by her, and the late Mr. J. W. Drew, which has now been erected at Montpellier, and for the kindly motive which prompted so valuable a gift.

J. WAG HORNE,

Chairman.

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MUNICIPAL OFFICES SITES COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 12th October, 1914 : Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Margrett, Councillors Dodwell, Merrett, Rees Jones, Stewart and Taylor (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Heating and Hot Water System—The following tenders were received for the heating and hot water system for which a provisional sum of £600 was allowed in the builder's contract :—

£ s. d.

R. E. & C. Marshall, Ltd. • •	498 17 6
T. J. Mulhearn	528 10 0

Stevens & Finch	533 17 6
Beaven & Sons	590 0 0
Heyden & Sons	544 0 0

Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. R. E. & C. Marshall, Ltd. be accepted subject to a contract being entered into, to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

2-Wiring, &C.-The following tenders were received for electric wiring and fittings, for which a provisional sum of £178 ton. was included in the builder's contract for wiring, exclusive of fittings :—

	£ s. d.
H. G. Norton & Co. ..	212 15 4
R. E. & C. Marshall, Ltd.	239 0 0
F. Bastin ..	239 18 0
Beaven & Sons ••••	307 0 0

Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. H. G. Norton & Co. be accepted subject to Messrs. Norton & Co. and their sureties entering into a contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

3—Telephone System—The Borough Electrical Engineer attended and suggested that an inter-communication system of telephones should be installed. Resolved, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be asked to confer with the architects and submit a report on the matter, with an estimate of cost.

4—Reinforced Concrete—The architects submitted a tender from Mr. T. J. Williams of Gloucester to execute the ferro-concrete work required for the hall, staircase, landing, etc., in accordance with a specification and plan prepared by The Indented Bar & Concrete Engineering Co., Ltd., for the sum of £572. A provisional sum of £232 11s. 4d. for this work was allowed in the builder's contract.

Resolved, That the tender be accepted subject to a contract being entered into to be prepared by the Town Clerk, to include a covenant by The Indented Bar & Concrete Engineering Co., Ltd., to supervise the work and guaranteeing that their design and arrangement of the steelwork and concrete would be sufficient for the purpose required, it executed by the builder in accordance with their specification and plans.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 14th October, 1914 Present—The Mayor, Alderman Davies, Councillors Green and Rees Jones, and Mr. J. T. Agg-Gardner (Councillor Rees Jones, in the chair).

1--Curator's Report—The Curator reported that 913 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum since September 16th.

The Pictures (100) from London for the Autumn Exhibition had been received and had been carefully hung in the Gallery, and had been on Exhibition since September 26th. A Catalogue had been compiled and 96 copies had been sold.

Read, a letter from the Secretaries of the Visitors' Information Bureau, stating that the Council could depend on the co-operation of the Bureau in any efforts made to attract visitors to the town and suggesting that a qualified Masseuse or Masseur Medical Electrician should be appointed for the Montpellier Baths, and also that steps should be taken to utilize the shop and premises adjoining the Baths. Resolved, That the Bureau be informed that the suggestions made are now under consideration.

4—Mineral Waters—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of bottles of Mineral Waters sold during September last was 1912, as compared with 180 for the corresponding month last year. The number of glasses of water sold was 1160, as compared with 1127.

5-- Football—Read, a letter from the Cheltenham Town Association Football Club, asking in the event of a Football. Match at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground being arranged between the Club and a team representing the 5th Batt. Glos. Regiment, whether the Council would allow the ground to be closed to the public for the purpose of taking gate money which would be given to the War Relief Fund. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 23rd October, 1914: Present—Alderman Baker, Councillors Dodwell, Rees Jones, Mann, Silk, Stewart and Steel (Councillor Stewart in the chair).

1.-Superintendent's Report—On the recommendation of the Superintendent. Resolved, That he be authorised to purchase bulbs to the value of £2.

2--Land adjoining Cemetery—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. T. Denley, of Cleeve Hill, was stilling to continue his tenancy of the land adjoining the Cemetery for another year from the 31st instant, and also to take the grass cut at the Cemetery for the same period on the same terms and conditions as in previous years. Resolved, That the offer be accepted.

3—Grants of Grave Spaces—Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants No. 4673 to 4679 (both inclusive) of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein which had been purchased.

4 Designs---- Resolved, That the following designs be approved, viz. :—Memorial Crosses to Graves of Mary and Maude Mary Lennard Cooke, Alice MacMahon, Roland Arthur Mearing, Thekla Laura Webster and James Batten Winterbotham, Memorial to Grave of Frederick William Bull.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 13th October, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Jamieson, Mann, Merrett, Steel and Wilkins, Messrs. J. R. Claridge, W. Cresswell, J. Caudle and A. Miles (Councillor Green in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts: £2 13s. 9d.
Presentations Bristol Merchant Venturers' Technical College (1 vol.), University Tutorial Press (1 vol.)

The issues from the Lending Library from the 14th September to the 10th October numbered 8873, as compared with 9,101 for the corresponding period last year The number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library was 1,474. as compared with 1,558. 7 volumes of Books for the Blind had been issued during the month.

2.---Sub-Committee's Report —The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 8th instant. Present: Alderman Davies, Councillors Green and Merrett, Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge (Councillor Green in the Chair)—

C. Harwood, who was found cutting out portions of the " Gardeners' Chronicle," attended the Meeting, and the Sub-Committee decided not to prosecute him on this occasion, provided he refrains from using the News-Room for at least one month.

The Sub-Committee also recommended: --

(1) That the wages of S. A. Webley be increased from 10/- to 12/- per week.

(2) That a selection of Books dealing with the European War be purchased. Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

E. C. GREEN,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this committee held on Tuesday, the 27th October, 1914 Present—The Mayor, Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel and Wilkins (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—General District Rate- Read the Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 27th instant, on the collection of the first instalment of this Rate, Amount collected, £24,668 19s. 1d. Voids, Abatements, etc., £2,014. 5s 3d Arrears carried forward £13 14s 10d.

2—Water Rate-Read, the Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 27th instant, on the collection of this Rate for the half year ended the 29th ulto. Amount collected £12,479 18s. 11d. Voids, Abatements, etc. £176 8s. 8d Leaving out-standing £2,275 9s 5d.

3-Loans- The Borough Accountant reported that he had received sums amounting to £10,974 on loan. Resolved, That Debentures be seated and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

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4—Reciprocal Investment of Sinking Funds—The Borough Accountant reported that the Ealing Corporation were willing to lend £2,000 if a similar amount were advanced them, the loans to bear interest at 3 ½ per cent., the period of loan and length of notice to be the same in each case. Resolved, That, subject to the security offered being approved by the Town Clerk, the sum of £2,000 be advanced to the Ealing Corporation out of the Sinking Funds, and that a Debenture be issued for a like amount to be advanced by the Ealing Corporation.

5—District Auditor's Report—Read, the Report of the District Auditor upon his examination of the Accounts for the year ending the 31st March, 1914. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to

write to the Local Government Board thereon, and that in the meantime the consideration of the same be adjourned to the next Meeting.

6—Contributions in lieu of General District Rate—Resolved, That a subscription equivalent to the amount of the General District Rate be paid to the Belgian Refugees Committee in respect of St. Philip's Lodge, Western Lodge and Oakfield, The Park, occupied by Refugees, and to the Red Cross Society in respect of New Court, Lansdown Road, occupied by wounded soldiers, under the powers conferred on the Council by the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, and the Cheltenham Order, 1905.

7—Accounts—Resolved, That a Meeting of the Committee be held on Tuesday next for the examination of the Bills and Accounts.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 3rd November, 1914: Present—Councillors Rees Jones, Silk, Steel and Wilkins (Councillor Steel in the chair).

8—Contributions in lieu of General District Rate—Read a letter from Mr. J. H. W. Fulton, Hon. Sec. Red Cross Society Voluntary Aid Detachment, thanking the Council for the subscription equivalent to the General District Rate granted in respect of New Court, occupied by wounded soldiers.

Read a letter from Lt.-Col. Hay, of the Cheltenham National Reserve, asking for a contribution equal to the amount of the General District Rate paid in respect of their Head Quarters, Great Western Road. Resolved, That a subscription of £2 14s. 8d. be made under the powers conferred on the Council by the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, and the Cheltenham Order, 1905, and that the matter be again considered at the end of March next.

9—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last Meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer. The Treasurer's Accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following was the General Statement :—

In hand on the 29th September last		7,175 8 1
Received since that date (including Loans on Debenture £5,430)		<u>15,412 1 10</u>
		22,587 9 11
Paid since that date		<u>20,422 15 10</u>
	In hand	2,164 14 1
being Sinking Fund Accounts—	in hand	3,166 4 7
"Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts—ditto		<u>44 16 5</u>
		3,211 1 0
less General Accounts—overdrawn		<u>1,046 6 11</u>
	In hand	2,164 14 1

R. STEEL,

Chairman.

At a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday; the 9th November, 1914, at 12 noon.

Present:

THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen:

WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL RICHARD DAVIES CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT

Councillors:

JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY FRANK CHARLES DODWELL EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK
STANLEY WYNDHAM JAMISON ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES
WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART
PETER PHILIP TAYLOR THOMAS WILKINS WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

1—Chairman—In the absence of the Mayor, Resolved, That the Deputy Mayor (Alderman Waghorne) be appointed Chairman.

2—Election of Councillors—The Town Clerk reported the Election on the 2nd inst. of the following gentlemen as Councillors, viz.:

Joseph Harry Hanson Powell - for the North Ward

Peter Philip Taylor for the Central Ward

James Percival Winterbotham for the East Ward

Thomas William Smith for the South Ward

Thomas Wilkins for the Middle Ward

Walter James Frederick Wood for the West Ward

and laid before the Council their Declarations of Acceptance of Office.

3—Election of Mayor—Resolved unanimously, That William Nash Skillicorne, Esquire, J.P., be and he is hereby re-elected Mayor of the Borough for the ensuing year. The Mayor then made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took the Oath of Allegiance and Judicial Oath. The Mayor thereupon took the Chair. Deputy Mayor—The Mayor signified in writing that he had appointed Alderman Charles Henry Margrett to be his Deputy, and it was Resolved, That such appointment be recorded upon the Minutes of the Council.

4—Assignment of Aldermen to Wards—Resolved, That the following Aldermen be assigned for the purposes of Ward Elections for the ensuing year to the several Wards opposite which their names are respectively set : Alderman Waghorne North Ward Skillicorne Central Ward Davies East Ward Baker South Ward Bendall Middle Ward Margrett West Ward

5—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council on the 5th October last having been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

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6—Central Spa— Town Hall—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Cheltenham Traders' Association expressing the appreciation of the Executive Committee of the Association of the arrangements made by the Corporation in connection with the Central Spa.

7 —Appointment and Duties of Committees—Public Health Committee—

Resolved, That for the purpose of this resolution Standing Order No. 20 be suspended and that the following members of the Council do form the Public Health Committee for the ensuing year :—The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Hanson Powell, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To regulate and manage all matters relating to the Public Health or concerning the duties of the Medical Officer of Health and Inspector of Nuisances, and to carry into effect the powers of the Council under the following Acts and Orders : Public Health Acts, The Cheltenham improvement Acts and Provisional Orders (Sanitary Provisions), Factory and Workshops Acts, Infectious Diseases (Notification) Act 1889, 1909, Infectious Diseases (Prevention) Act 1890, The Housing Acts 1890 to and the Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Orders.

To have delegated to it the powers of the Council under the following sections of the Public Health Act 1875, namely: 23, 24, 25, 35, 36, 37, 38, 40, 41, 46, 47, 49 and 50, the sections relating to nuisances and unsound meat, also sections 62, 70, 120, 121, 123, 124, 126, 127, 128 and 129.

To examine and report upon all plans for new streets and buildings, including the enforcement of the byelaws made by the Council with regard thereto, so far only as drainage and other sanitary matters are concerned. To deal with the repair and reconstruction of all sewers in the Borough and with the 'tidal' sewers and sewage tanks and the control and treatment of the sewage and to have the management and control of the Sewage Farms of the Corporation, and the purchase and sale of stock, farming implements, etc. To deal with the cleansing of watercourses and the enforcement of the provisions of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts.

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Street and Highway Committee—

Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Street and Highway Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Baker, Bendall and Margrett, Councillors Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To regulate and manage all matters relating to the repair of the streets, including public and private streets and main and contribution roads, to examine and report upon all plans for new streets and buildings, including the enforcement of the byelaws made by the Council with regard thereto (with the exception of drainage and other sanitary matters) and to consider all proposed public street improvements. To consider and report upon any matters arising in connection with the Cheltenham and District Light Railway within the Borough or in connection with the byelaws made by the Council with reference thereto.

To have the management of the Central Depot and the horses, materials and carts, etc., and any matters in connection with the Borough Surveyor's Department, and of any properties acquired by the Corporation in respect of street improvements. To deal with matters in connection with Street Projections. To enforce the provisions of the following Acts as far as regards new streets and buildings : The Public Health Acts, The Public Health (Buildings in Streets) Act 1888, The Cheltenham Improvement Acts 1852 and 1889, and the Cheltenham Order of 1896 (with the exception of drainage and other sanitary matters), and to deal with any scheme under Part II. Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909.

Town Improvement Committee—

Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Town Improvement Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Baker and Davies, Councillors Green, Jamieson, Rees Jones, Sawyer,

Steel and Taylor, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To have the control and management of the Montpellier Gardens, Pittville Park and Estate, the Promenade Long Garden and Winter Garden, and of any building in connection with such properties, and to enforce the provisions of the byelaws made by the Council with reference to them. To manage and control any entertainments decided upon by the Council, and to consider and report upon all matters in connection with the advertising of the town and the provision of a band.

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Electricity and Lighting Committee—

Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Electricity and Lighting Committee for the ensuing year :—Councillors Green, Haddock, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith, Taylor and Wood, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To regulate and manage all matters relating to the Electricity Undertaking of the Corporation, the public lighting whether by electricity or gas, and to carry out the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts and the Cheltenham Electric Lighting Orders 1890, 1899, 1900 and 1912, and the regulations of the Board of Trade made thereunder.

Water Committee-

Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Water Committee for the ensuing year :—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Bendall and Margrett, Councillors Green, Merrett, Sawyer and Wood, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To regulate and manage all-matters relating to the Water Under-taking of the Corporation, and to manage all properties acquired by the Corporation in connection with their Water Undertaking. To carry into effect the provisions of the Cheltenham Water Acts 1878 and 1881, and the Provisional Orders amending the same.

General Purposes and Watch Committee—

Resolved, That the powers and duties of the General Purposes and Watch Committee be as follows :—To regulate and manage the Town Hall and any properties of the Corporation and other matters not specifically referred to any other Committee. To discharge the duties of the Watch Committee under the Municipal Corporations Act 1882, and to consider and report upon all matters arising in connection with the Petroleum Acts, and the Police. To regulate and manage all matters relating to the licensing of Hackney Carriages, Drivers and Conductors, and to Markets end Fairs. To be an Executive Committee of the Council under the Diseases of Animals Acts, with all the powers and authority conferred upon the Council (except the power to make a rate), and to carry into effect the Orders of the Board of Agriculture in relation thereto. To regulate and manage the Allotments of the Corporation under the Allotments Act. To consider and report to the Council upon the re-numbering of houses in and the naming and re-nail-Ling of, streets in the Borough. To regulate and manage all matters in connection with the Fire Brigade and Fire Extinguishing Appliances.

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Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—

Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Benda]] and Day ices, Councillors Blakeney, Dodwell, Haddock, Merrett, Silk and Stewart, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To regulate and manage the Alstone and Montpellier Baths, and any matters in connection with the Mineral Waters, and the Recreation Grounds and the Public Walks and Pleasure Grounds (except those specifically referred to other Committees).

Burial Board Committee—

Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Burial Board Committee for the ensuing year :—Alderman Baker, Councillors Dodwell, Mann, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Stewart and Winterbotham, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To regulate and manage the Cheltenham Cemetery and all matters relating thereto.

Finance Committee—

Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Finance Committee for the ensuing year :—The Mayor, Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Wilkins and Winterbotham, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To regulate and manage all matters of Finance, including the checking, as far as possible, of the expenditure of the different Committees of the Council, the appointment and dismissal of the Officers and Staff in the Borough Accountant's and Rates Departments, the preparation of Estimates for Rates, collection of Rates, and raising of Loans. To consider and report upon all matters arising upon the report of the District Auditor.

Public Library Committee.—

Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Public Library Committee for the ensuing year :—Alderman Davies, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Jamieson, Mann, Merrett, Sawyer, Steel and Wilkins together with Messrs. F. J. Caudle, .J. R. Cresswell, E. Gridley, A. Miles, W. J. Moore, E. C. Rogers and H. Stroud and that their duties be as follows : To regulate and manage the Cheltenham Public Library and all matters relating thereto, subject to the proceedings of the Committee being submitted from time to time for confirmation by the Council

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Art Gallery and Museum Committee—

Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Art Gallery and Museum Committee for ensuing year :—Aldermen Davies, Margrett and Waghorne, Councillors Green, Jamieson, Rees Jones, Steel and Taylor ; with Messrs. J. T. Agg-Gardner, G. Dimmer, and H. Stroud and Dr. E. T. Wilson as consulting members, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To regulate and manage the Art Gallery and Museum and all matters relating thereto.

Education Committee—

Resolved, That the following members of the Council, be appointed members of the Education Committee for the ensuing year :—The Mayor, Aldermen Bendall and Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Dodwell, Haddock, Jamieson, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Wilkins, Winterbotham and Wood.

Local Pension Committee—

Resolved, That the Local Pension Committee for the Borough consist of all the members of the Council, that their term of office as members of such Committee expire on the 9th November, 1915, and that eight be a quorum of the Committee.

Vacancy on Distress Committee—

Resolved, That Councillor Wood be re-appointed a member of the Distress Committee.

Approval of Committee Proceedings-

8—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 8th, 12th and 19th October last, be approved and confirmed.

9—Delancey Hospital—Resolved, That the Mayor, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel and Stewart be appointed representatives of the Council on the Management Committee of the Delancey Hospital for the ensuing year.

10—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 13th and 26th October last, be approved and confirmed.

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11—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 21st October last, be approved and confirmed.

12—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 22nd October last, be approved and confirmed.

13—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 15th October last, be approved and confirmed.

14—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 20th October last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following Amendment, viz., That Minute No. 4 (Keynsham Street Post Office) be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

15—Vacancies on Education Committee—Resolved, That the Rev. Fairlie Clarke be re-appointed a member of the Education Committee, his term of office to expire on the 9th November, 1917.

Resolved, That Miss Knollys be appointed a member of the Education Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss M. G. Jones.

16—Municipal Offices Sites Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Municipal Offices Sites Committee, at their Meeting of the 12th October last, be approved and confirmed.

17—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 14th October last, be approved and confirmed.

18—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 16th October last, be approved and confirmed.

19—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 23rd October last, be approved and confirmed.

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

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21—Finance Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meetings of the 27th October last and 3rd November inst., be approved and confirmed, subject to the following Amendment, viz., That the portion of Minute No. 8, with reference to a contribution in

lieu of General District Rate in respect of the National Reserve Headquarters, be referred back to the Committee for further consideration. Resolved also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

22—Reports of Council Meetings—The Motion proposed by Councillor Blakeney on this subject was not seconded.

23—Memorials, Applications, etc.—Resolved, That the following letters be referred to the General Purposes and Watch Committee: —Letter from H. Teague re use of Town Hall for Sunday Concerts. Letter from Cheltenham Root, Fruit and Chrysanthemum Society re use of Supper Room for Sale of Fruit, &c., in aid of War Relief Fund.

Mayor.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 7th December, 1914.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 10th November, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Councillors Green, Rees fonts and Stewart (Councillor Rees Jones in the chair).

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

2-Farms Sub-Committee—Resolved, That The Mayor, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood be appointed the Farms Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

3—Plans Sub-Committee—Resolved, That Councillors Rees Jones, Steel and Stewart be appointed representatives of this Committee on the Plans Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

4—Condemned Meat—Read, a letter from the British Animal Products, Ltd., offering to purchase any meat condemned as unfit for human food (except meat in an advanced state of decomposition) at 15/- per ton for the manufacture of "Fertiliser." Resolved, That the offer be not entertained.

T. REES JONES,

Chairman.

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At a Mating of this Committee held on Monday, the 23rd November, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Res Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood (The Mayor in the chair,

5—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles --The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-2, 3, and 4 Little Bays/till Terrace, 4, Royal Well Place, 4 Manchester Square, 1 and 2 St. George's Retreat, 27a Manchester Street, 30 and 60 Upper Park Street, 6 and 15 Rosehill Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the

respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 94 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

6--Overcrowding at 3 Carlton Place, W., and 1 Providence Place, Fairview—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof requiring them to abate the same.

7—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 6, 10, and 11 Rosehill Street, 3, 30, and 35 Upper Park Street, and 4 Malvern Cottages. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby, Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

8—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 17 to 25 Naunton Crescent, 15 North Place, 3 Warwick Villas, and 45 Upper Park Street. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

30 to 51 Keynsham Street and Messrs. Meat Co.'s Premises, Keynsham Street—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specifications of works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved and that Notice be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

9--Insanitary Property--3, 28, 30, 35, 44, 49, 60, and 61 Upper Park Street, 11 Fairview Street, 4 and 8 King Street Gardens, and 7 Waterloo Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, &c. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

10- Destruction of Diseased Meat--The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat as follows: —On the 27th October, the carcase and offal of a pork pig and the carcase and offal of a sheep (weight 157 lbs.)

11—Maternity and Child Welfare—Read a letter from the Local Government Board with reference to the adoption by the Council of the Notification of Births Act, 1907, and the appointment of a Health Visitor and institution of a Clinic. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned until the new Municipal Offices are completed.

12 — Disinfection of Clothes--Read a letter from the Charlton Kings Urban District Council asking whether the Corporation would undertake free of charge the disinfection of clothes of wounded soldiers received at Charlton Kings. Resolved, That the Charlton Kings Urban District Council be

informed that the Corporation are willing to undertake this at the same charge as paid by the Council for other disinfection.

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13—Sewer at rear of North Place—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had laid a new 9-inch pipe sewer for a length of 53 yards at the rear of North Place to replace a defective brick sewer. Resolved, That the action of the Borough Surveyor be approved.

14—Sewage Disposal Works—The Borough Surveyor reported that Messrs. A. Hill & Co. had completed the works included in their contract, and that these had been carried out at £175 16s. 6d. less than the contract sum (£16,838 18s. 1d.) He submitted a report with reference to the provision of a system of tanks or channels for eliminating the humus from the filtered effluent. The cost of the work would be about £1,200, and he recommended that two of the proposed tanks or channels should be provided in the first place at a cost of £250. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

15—Delancey Hospital—Read a letter from the Local Government Board stating that they would not endorse a scheme which involved the treatment of small-pox in a hospital for persons suffering from other infectious diseases. The Town Clerk submitted reply. Resolved, That the same be approved. Resolved, That the Committee attend a Conference with the Trustees of the Delancey Hospital to consider the question of improving the nurses' accommodation.

16—Report of Farms Sub-Committee—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 23rd inst. Present: The Mayor, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood.

Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Wood be appointed Chairman of this Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

Farms Manager's Report—The Farms Manager reported that the number of livestock on the Farms on the 23rd inst. was 16 horses (not including 5 at the Depot), 162 head of cattle (including 3 calves), 101 sheep, and 6 pigs, all doing very well. 1 bull and 1 cow had been purchased for £29 10s. 3 calves had been bred on the Farms. 58 head of cattle (including 6 calves) had been sold for £906 9s., 15 sheep (including 5 lambs) for £33 18s. 3d., 29 pigs for £25 7s. 6d., 1 cart horse for £56 19s. 0d. (Total sales, £1,022 13s. 9d.) Resolved, That the Manager be instructed to clean out Boddington Brook and to obtain quotations for a set of rods for sewer cleaning. Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 10th November, 1914: Present—Aldermen Baker and Bendall, Councillors Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

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

2—Plans Sub-Committee- Resolved, That Alderman Bendall and Councillors Merrett and Wilkins be appointed representatives of the Committee on the Plans Sub-Committee.

3—Stores Sub-Committee—Resolved, That Aldermen Baker and Bendall and Councillors Stewart and Wilkins be appointed the Stores Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

4—Trees Sub-Committee—Resolved, That the Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Bendall, and Councillors Hanson Powell, Mann and Stewart be appointed the Trees Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

5—Street Projections—Read, an application from the Cheltenham Gas Company for permission to place a projecting lamp outside No. 204, High Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

6—Phoenix Passage- -Private Improvement Expenses- The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in Phoenix Passage had been carried out by the Corporation at a cost, including supervision, of £61 11s 9d. and in accordance with the instructions of the Committee he submitted an apportionment in accordance with the degree of benefit to be derived from the Works. Resolved, That regard be had to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived from the Works, that the apportionment as now settled upon this basis be approved, and that Notices thereof and of demand for repayment be served upon the Owners of premises mentioned therein.

7 -Lower High Street—Wood Paving—Resolved, That application be made to the Local Government Board for their sanction to a loan of £5,500 for paving the roadway of Lower High Street, front Ambrose Street to Gloucester Road, with wood blocks.

8—Lansdown Parade (Inner Road)—Read, a memorial from occupiers of houses in Lansdown Parade with reference to the repair of the inner road in front of Lansdown Parade. Resolved. That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the Owners calling their attention to the condition of the road.

9—Fountain—Read, a letter from the Rev. H. Heap, on behalf of Mrs. Drew, enclosing copy of an inscription which it was proposed to place on the new fountain Resolved, That the same be approved.

10—College Road Tip—Gracing—The Committee considered the offers received (3) for the grazing of the land in College Road. Resolved, That the offer of Mr. E. Higgs, of Darwin House, Bath Road, of £5 5/- per annum, be accepted, subject to an agreement being entered into to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

11—Trees—Read, a letter from Mrs. Tate asking that the trees in the Promenade opposite her premises should be pruned, and from Mrs. Fisher asking for the removal of a tree opposite 3, Oriel Terrace, Resolved, That the letters be referred to the Trees Sub-Committee.

12—Scrap Metal—Read, a letter from the London Electron Works Co., Ltd., asking, in view of the circumstances mentioned in their letter, that the Contract for taking scrap metal from the Destructor should be suspended for the present, and offering 8/- per ton for all material taken during such suspension Resolved, That the application be acceded to and that the Contract be suspended to the 25th March next.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 30th November, 1914: Present-The Mayor, Alderman Bendall, Councillors Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bendall in the chair).

13-Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways-The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 23rd October to the 26th November, 1914 (both inclusive), had been as follows :-

Roads Repaired-Hatherley Road (proceeding) and Wellington Road (1,156 sq. yards). Roads Patched-Albert Road, Albion Street, Alstone Croft, Andover Road, Arle Road, Bath Road, Clarence Street, Tivoli Street, Gloucester Road, Grafton Road, Harp Hill, County Court Road, Lansdown Parade, Lansdown Place, Leckhampton Road, Montpellier Walk, St. James' Square and Shurdington Road.

Mineral Water Trenches Repaired-College Road and Eldorado Road.

Electricity Trenches Repaired-Albert Road, Arle Road, Gloucester Road, Grosvenor Street, High Street, Lansdown Terrace, Millbrook Street, Oxford Street, Queen's Parade, St. George's Place, Shelburne Road and Winchcomb Street.

Sewer Trenches Repaired- Elmstone Street.

Paving Renewed with Slabs -Albion Street (proceeding), Bath Road (162) sq. yards). Paving Repaired-Bayshill Road, Clarence Parade and Tivoli Road. Footpaths Gravelled-Merestones Road. New Kerbing Laid--Albion Street (proceeding). New Gullies Fixed-Seven.

Trees Pruned-Battledown Approach, Cemetery Road, Fauconberg Road, Hewlett Road, Lower Mill Street, Montpellier Parade, Montpellier Terrace and Tewkesbury Road.

Ashes Collection and Disposal-During five weeks ended the 19th November, 1914-1,023 loads collected, 1,006 consumed and 17 tipped way. Weight consumed, 1,152 tons, 13 cwts., 2 qrs.

Steam Generated-Hourly average, 5,191 lbs. (estimated).

14-Report of Plans Sub-Committee-The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meeting on the 10th instant. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

15-Street Projections- Read applications from the Gas Company for permission to place Projecting Lamps outside Nos. 211 and 296 High Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions. Read an application from the Rev. C. E. Stone for permission to place a temporary Notice Board in the Promenade, near Messrs. Barnby, Bendall & Co.'s premises, calling attention to the Soldier's Club at Salem Institute. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

16-Gloucester Road (from Hope Villa to Lansdown Castle) Private Improvement Expenses-The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in this street had been carried out by the Corporation at a cost, including supervision, of £'top 8s. 6d., and in compliance with the instructions of the Committee he submitted an apportionment in accordance with the degree of benefit to be derived from the Works. Resolved, That regard be had to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived from the Works, that the apportionment as now settled upon this basis be approved and that notices thereof and of demand for repayment be served upon the owners of the premises mentioned therein.

17-Grit Distributor-The Borough Surveyor recommended that an additional grit distributor should be purchased at a cost of about £34. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

18-Telegraph Poles-Royal Well Place-- Read, a letter from the Superintending Engineer Post Office Telegraphs, again applying for consent to a pole being placed in Royal Well Place. Resolved, That the Committee adhere to their previous decision, namely, that consent be not given, as the pole, if erected, would leave less than four feet for the footway, and would cause inconvenience to the

public. Vittoria Walk-Read, an application from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, for permission to place four poles in Vittoria Walk. Resolved, That the application be adjourned to the next Meeting and the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Superintending Engineer with a view to an alternative proposal being submitted

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19—Underground Telegraphic Line--Read, an application from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, for permission to place an underground telegraphic line across Lansdown Road and along Christ Church Road to the corner of Queen's Road, and to place a pole and stay as shewn on the plan submitted. Resolved. That the application be acceded to subject to the excavation and reinstatement of the road and footpaths being carried out to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor, and also to the exact position of the pole and stay being approved by the Borough Surveyor, and also subject to a painted pole being provided.

20—Footpath and Trees in Upper High Street— (from College Road to Priory Court)- Read, a letter from Mr. W. Ansell, calling attention to the condition of the footpath between College Road to Priory Court. Resolved, That the footpath be repaved. Resolved, That the Trees Sub-Committee be asked to inspect the trees in this portion of the High Street, and that they be empowered to have removed such trees as they think it is desirable to remove,

21—Trees opposite Stanley Villa, Queen's Road—Read, a letter from Mrs. West, asking that the trees opposite Stanley Villa, Queen's Road, should be pruned. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Trees Sub-Committee.

22—Albion Street—The Borough Surveyor reported that Messrs. Gillsmith, Ltd., were willing to allow the area opening in front of No. 100, Albion Street to be paved over subject to the condition that they should be allowed to put in a Pavement Light if at any time they wished to do so. Resolved, That the opening be paved over subject to the condition mentioned.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 20th November, 1914: Present -- Alderman Bendall, Councillors Merrett, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Alderman Bogdan in the chair).

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Alderman Bendall be appointed Chairman of this Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

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

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
1299	Dr. J. Howell	Addition to No. 7, Imperial Square
1300	British Petroleum Co., Ltd.	New Store on land in Naunton Park Road
1301	C. Jefferies	Alterations to Essex Lodge, Cambray

Resolved, That the Plans be approved. The Inspector reported that a building had been erected on premises in Dunalley Parade belonging to Mr. R. Baglin, in the occupation of Mrs. Tarren, without

plans having been first submitted. Resolved, That Notice be given under the Bye-Law to show cause why the building should not be removed.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 23rd November, 1914 Present—The Mayor, Alderman Davies, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Sawyer, Steel and Taylor.

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

R. OWEN SEACOME,

Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of this Committee held at the Town Hall on Wednesday, the 25th November, 1914: Present—Aldermen Baker and Davies, Councillors Green, Jamieson, Rees Jones, Steel and Sawyer (Alderman Baker in the chair).

2 --Bowling Green at Winter Garden—Read an application from Mr. W. H. Horsley, Hon. Sec. of the Cheltenham Bowling Club, for the use of the Bowling Green next season. Resolved, That the application be acceded to on the same terms as last season, viz.: The Club to pay a rent of £10 (to include the use of a room for the storage of the woods), and to pay at the usual rate for any water used, and to keep the green in good order during the season and until the commencement of the following season, no tent or other structure to be erected on the green, and the Council to have the right to use or grant the use of the green at any time upon giving reasonable notice to the Club ; and also the right to terminate the letting at any time by one month's notice, if the ground is required for the purpose of any scheme of improvement, in which case a proportionate abatement shall be made in the rent.

Ticket Office—The application of Mr. Field for the removal of the Ticket Office at the entrance to the Winter Garden was further considered, and the Committee inspected the building. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to, but that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the building painted.

Tennis Courts—Read a letter from Mr. S. C. Field stating that he was willing to provide a Band to play in the morning in the Winter Garden Grounds, and offering a rental of £3 for the Tennis courts. Resolved, That consideration of the offer be adjourned.

3—Subscriptions to Gardens—Read a letter from the Hon. Secs. of the Visitors' Information Bureau recommending that Visitors' Subscription Tickets should be issued to the Montpellier and Pittville Gardens. They suggested that a subscription of £1 1s. should be paid in respect of Hotels, 10s. 6d. for Boarding Houses, and 5s. for Lodging Houses, and that visitors at these establishments should be admitted to the Gardens without charge. Resolved, That the proposal be further considered at the next meeting of the Committee

4--Pittville Estate— Trees—Read, a letter from Miss I. D. Sharp asking for the removal of a tree opposite Edenham, Wellington Square. Resolved, That the application be acceded to and that the Borough Engineer be instructed to have the tree removed.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 23rd November, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Councillors Green, Haddock, Mann, Rees Jones, Taylor and Wood.

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

R. OWEN SEACOME,

Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 26th November, 1911 Present—Councillors Green, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Taylor, Smith and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

2 — Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he tested the gas on the 23rd instant for illuminating power, with the following result, viz., 14.8 candles. The test on the 21st instant for purity showed 23 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

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

4—Public Lighting—The Borough Electrical Engineer recommended that another group of 70 or 80 Half Watt Lamps should be substituted for the present Arc Lamps. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

5 —December Meeting of Committee—Resolved, That the next Meeting of the Committee be held on Wednesday, the 16th proximo, instead of the 24th

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday; the 19th November, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Alderman Bendall, Councillors Green, Merrett and Sawyer (The Mayor in the chair).

1-Chairman—Resolved, That the Deputy Mayor (Alderman Margrett) be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

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

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 17th Nov., 1914 during last 3 years.	Average for corresponding period
Hewletts Springs	272,000 gallons	465,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	304,000 "	611,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	<u>23,000</u> "	<u>29,000</u> "
	Total 599,000 "	1,105,000 "

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
		17th Nov., 1914		17th Nov., 1913.
Hewletts		15,397,000 gallons		11,602,100 gallons
Dowdeswell	9ft. 6in.	22,471,000 "	20ft. 6in.	48,674,000 "
Leckhampton	4ft. 0in.	<u>540,000</u> "	6ft. 6in.	<u>828,000</u> "
		Total Storage 38,408,000 "		61,104,000 "

Pumping had been continued during the month at Sandford.

180 yards of 4 inch main had been laid to supply Hester's Way Farm.

3—Red Cross Hospitals and Belgian Refugee Homes—Resolved, That a free supply of water be given to the Belgian Refugee Homes at St. Philip's Lodge, Western Lodge, Oakfield, and Southwood House ; also to the Red Cross Hospitals at New Court, Suffolk Hall, and the Race Course Pavilion.

4—Land at the Mythe—The Committee considered the offer received from Mr. J. Howell, of Oldbury Road, Tewkesbury, for the tenancy of a piece of land containing 1 acre 2 roods 35 perches at a rental of 44 per annum. Resolved, That the offer be accepted subject to an agreement being entered into to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

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

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 24th November, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Bendall and Margrett, Councillors Green, Haddock, Merrett, Rees Jones and Stewart (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—Supt. Hopkins reported an outbreak of Swine Fever on the 24th inst. at Farm Cottage, Lower Alstone. 2 pigs had died and 1 had been slaughtered by order of the Board of Agriculture. With this exception and also the premises in Whaddon Lane in the occupation of Mr. James Hedley, which were still under quarantine, the Borough was free from Contagious Diseases amongst Animals.

2—Fire Brigade— Report of Captain—The Captain reported that on the 24th instant the Brigade was called to an outbreak of fire at No. 9, Grosvenor Terrace. Damage, nil. Brigade Expenses, £3 4s. 6d. He also reported that five other members of the Brigade had volunteered for Active Service and that he had temporarily filled their places.

Appointment of Sub-Committee—Resolved, That Alderman Baker and Councillors Green, Merrett and Stewart be appointed the Fire Brigade Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

3—Committee Fixtures for 1915—Resolved, That the Meetings of the Committees of the Council for 1915 be fixed as follows (except that any meetings that may fall upon a public holiday shall be held upon such other days and consequent alterations be made in other meetings as may be convenient), viz.—

THREE WEEKS PREVIOUS TO COUNCIL MEETING.

1st Week.

Tuesday Public Library 4.15 P.m.

Thursday Water • • 3.. p.m.

Friday Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds .. 4.. p.m.

2nd Week.

Monday Public Health (Second Meeting) 3.0 p.m.

Tuesday . General Purposes and Watch 3.30 p.m.

Wednesday . Town Improvement 11.0 a.m.

Thursday .. Electricity and Lighting 3.0 p.m.

Friday Burial Board 11.30 a.m.

Plans Sub-Committee (at Depot) 2.30 p.m.

Street and Highway (View) 3.0 p.m. (meet at Central Depot)

3rd Week.

Monday Street and Highway (Second Meeting 2.30 p.m.

Tuesday Finance 3.30 P.m.

WEEK FOLLOWING WEEK OF COUNCIL MEETING.

Monday Farms Sub-Committee 2.45 p.m.

Public Health 3. 15 p.m.

Tuesday Plans Sub-Committee 2.30 p.m.

Street and Highway 3.0 p.m. ...

Wednesday . Art Gallery and Museum 12.0 noon

4— Fruit Market. --Resolved, That The Mayor, The Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Bendall and Waghorne and Councillor Green be re-appointed a Sub-Committee to consider and report with reference to the applications received for the tenancy of the Fruit Market.

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5—Mops and Fairs --Read, an application from Mr. Jacob Studt for an abatement in the amount (£60) paid for the Mops and Fairs, as he had sustained a considerable loss this year. Resolved, That no abatement be made.

6 –Weighbridge Attendant, etc.--Resolved, That applications be invited by advertisement for the appointment of a Weigh-bridge Attendant and Collector of the Folly Lane Allotment Rents at 17/6 per week and 5 per cent. on the Allotment Rents collected.

7—Town Hall—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, stating that the Traders' Committee proposed to organize a Publicity Bureau and asking for the use of the Small Drawing Room at the Town Hall for this purpose. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

Read, a letter from Mr. Horace Teague, asking for the free use of the Large Hall for Sunday Concerts by the Municipal Orchestra, the proceeds, after payment of working expenses, to be given to War Funds. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

8-Licences to Store Petroleum—Read, an application from The British Petroleum Co., Ltd., for a licence to store 1,500 gallons of petroleum at the store recently used by Messrs. Norton & Co., in Regent Street, and also for a licence to store 2,000 gallons at a new store erected on land at the rear of Naunton Park Road. The Inspector reported that the places of storage were satisfactory. Resolved, That the licences be granted subject to an iron fence, not less than 6 feet high, being placed round the store in Naunton Park Road.

Read, an application from Messrs. H. G. Norton & Co. for a licence to store 300 gallons of petroleum at their garage in Regent Street. The Inspector reported that the place of storage was satisfactory. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

9—Housing (No. 2) Act, 1914—With reference to Minute No. 11 of this Committee on the 25th August last, as to the need for the provision of houses under this Act by the Council for the working classes, the Borough Surveyor reported that at the present time there was no immediate need for any housing scheme. The accommodation of some of the smaller houses was limited and it might be desirable at a later date to undertake a scheme.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

MUNICIPAL OFFICES SITES COMMITTEE.

Report of the Special Committee appointed on the 5th day of December, 1910, to consider the question of Municipal Offices.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 20th November, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Bendall and Margrett, Councillors Dodwell, Merrett, Rees Jones, Silk and Stewart (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1--Iron Fire Escape Stairs—The following tenders were received for providing the Iron Fire Escape Stairs, for which a sum of £142 10s. was included in the builders' contract:- -

R. E. & C. Marshall, Ltd. .. • •	£149 0 0
J. T. Mulhearn • •	93 15 0
J. Such & Sons	87 3 0

And it was Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. J. Such & Sons be accepted.

2 — Clinic—Councillor Haddock attended the Committee on behalf of the Medical Sub-Committee and asked that Wood Block Floors should be provided in the rooms marked on the plan, " Waiting Room and Medical Treatment Department," and that an additional window be placed in the Waiting Room, and it was Resolved, That the architects be instructed to have this work done.

3—Telephone System—The Committee considered the tenders received from Messrs. H. G. Norton & Co., for the installation of an inter-communication system of telephones as recommended by the Borough Electrical Engineer, and it was Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. H. G. Norton & Co. of £35 for wiring the premises for 30 instruments be accepted.

4 — Drains, etc.—It was Resolved, That the estimate of Messrs. Billings & Sons of £17 16s. 9d. be accepted for providing new drains at No. 24, Promenade, in accordance with the requirements of the Health Department. The Committee also met on the 27th November at the Promenade premises: Present—Alderman Margrett, Councillors Dodwell, Merrett, Rees Jones, Silk and Stewart (Alderman Margrett in the chair). The Committee selected the colours for the sculls and woodwork (except the Council Chamber), and it was Resolved, That all the woodwork be varnished.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 11th November, 1914 : Present—Alderman Davies, Councillors Green, Rees Jones and Steel and Mr. H. Stroud (Councillor Rees Jones, in the chair).

1—Chairman— Resolved, That Councillor Rees Jones be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that 1381 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum since the 14th ultimo, and 277 Catalogues had been sold.

An Exhibition of Water Colours by Mrs. L. O. Burrowes was held between the 19th and 31st October. 17 pictures were sold and the proceeds (£30) had been handed over to the Belgian Refugees' Fund.

The following gifts have been received:—The Trustees of the British Museum (Department of British and Mediaeval Antiquities and Ethnography), 39 Prehistoric Flints from Swanscombe and Northfleet.

Mr. Ulric E. Daubeney, Bead Necklaces, Bracelets, etc., from Africa.

Mr. Daubeney had also lent to the Museum two frames containing fragments of Woven Tapestry, etc., from Egypt. Resolved, That the thanks of the Council be conveyed to the donors and lenders.

3—Exchange of Flints—The Curator reported that he had arranged to make an exchange with the Doncaster Museum of 24 duplicate Cotteswold Prehistoric Flints for 24 specimens of Pygmy Flints from Scunthorpe, Yorkshire. Resolved, That this be approved

T. REES JONES,

Chairman.

MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 20th November, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Bendall and Davies, Councillors Blakeney, Dodwell, Haddock, Merrett, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the chair).

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

2—Visitors of Baths and Recreation Grounds—Resolved, That the following Members of the Committee be appointed Visitors for the Baths and Recreation Grounds for the ensuing year :
Montpellier Baths—Councillors Haddock and Merrett. Alstone Baths—Alderman Davies and Councillor Stewart. Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—Alderman Davies and Councillor Blakeney. Naunton Park—Alderman Bendall and Councillor Silk. Whaddon Lane Recreation Ground.— Councillors Dodwell and Merrett. Grove Street Ground—Councillor Dodwell.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 17th November, 1914: Present—Councillors Blakeney, Green, Jamieson, Mann, Merrett, Steel and Wilkins, Messrs. F. J. Caudle, J. R. Claridge, W. W. Cresswell, E. Gridley, A. Miles, E. C. Rogers and H. Stroud (Councillor Green in the chair).

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

2—Appointment of Sub-Committee—Resolved, That the Chairman (Councillor Green), Alderman Davies, Councillors Merrett and Wilkins, and Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge be appointed the Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

3—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts : £3 10s. 5d. The number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library from the 12th October to the 14th November (27 ½ days) was 1786 as compared with 1541 for 22 days last year. The number of volumes issues from the Lending Library was 12,068 as compared with 10,118.

4—History of the War—Resolved, That the suggestion of Councillor Jamieson, that " The Times" or some other history of the present War should be purchased, be referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration and report.

E. C. GREEN,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 1st December, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Rees Jones, Silk, Steel and Wilkins (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

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

2—General District Rate—Read the Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 1st December, on the collection of the second instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £5,567 9s. 4d. Leaving outstanding £21,281 3s. 6d.

3—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 1st December, on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending on the 25th March next was read. Amount collected £3,219 5s. 10d. Leaving outstanding £9,331 13s. 9d.

4—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that he had received £700 on loan. Resolved, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of the Mineral Waters (Mains and Pump) Loan,

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 23rd November, 1914: Present—The Mayor, Councillors Mann, Rees Jones, Steel and Stewart

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

R. OWEN SEACOME,

Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 27th November, 1914: Present—Councillors Dodwell, Mann, Rees Jones, Silk, Stewart and Steel (Councillor Stewart in the chair).

2—Tree Overhanging Grave—Read a letter from Mrs. Lillingston stating the stone on her husband's grave, and which was cleaned last year, had again been discoloured by the sycamore tree overhanging the grave and asking that the tree should be removed. Resolved, That the Committee inspect this and the adjoining trees at their Meeting in January next.

3—Grants of Grave Spaces—Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants No. 46So to 4685 (both inclusive) of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein which had been purchased.

4—Designs — Resolved, That the following designs be approved, viz Headstone to graves of Dehlia Sprague, Edward Burke, William and Mary Ann Kilmister ; Memorial Crosses to graves of Charles Daley and William Haire Forster ; Kerbing to grave of John Hilliard Houghton.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

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3—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April, to 31st October, 1914, were as follows .—

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts	<u>388 9 11</u>	Expenses	469 12 8
	£388 9 11	Loans—Interest and Redemption	<u>312 13 4</u>
			£782 6 0

The Superintendent reported that the number of bathers from the 1st April to the 30th September last was 16513 (including 1181 Elementary School Children).

An application was received from the Officers Commanding the 9th and 10th Battalions of the Gloucester Regiment for the use of the Montpellier Swimming Baths (when not otherwise engaged) for Lectures to the troops. Resolved, That the application be acceded to. Read an application from Dr. Hugh Powell for the free use of the Baths on Tuesday Evenings for Ambulance Drills Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to out-of-pocket expenses being paid.

4—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the Receipts and Payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April to 31st October, 1914 were as follows :—

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts	<u>342 15 9</u>	Expenses	370 7 3
	£342 15 9	Loans—Interest and Redemption	<u>195 8 4</u>
			£565 15 7

The Superintendent reported that the number of bathers, &c., at the Alstone Baths during the year ended the 30th September last, was 50,064 (including 12,784 elementary school children) as compared with 49,965 during the previous year.

Washing Baths—Resolved, That three Slipper Baths at the Alstone Baths be reserved for the use of the 9th and 10th Battalions of the Gloucester Regiment free of charge, and that they also be allowed the use of three additional baths at one half the usual charge.

5—Mineral Waters—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during October last was 1297, as compared with 1276 for the month of October, 1913. The number of bottles of Concentrated water sold during October last was 1476, as compared with 204 for the corresponding month in 1913. Resolved, That 10,000 copies of the booklet "Cheltenham Spa" be printed at a cost of £24

6--Central Spa—Resolved, That a Notice Board be placed in the Promenade, giving the time at which the spa is open, &c., at a cost of 35/- ; and that 100 Booklet Cases, to be placed in the Hotels and Boarding Houses with a supply of Mineral Water Pamphlets, be provided at a cost 35/-Messrs. E. Marfell and E. Whitbread attended on behalf of the Traders' Committee and submitted a copy of Framed Photo-graphs, &c., of the Central Spa, which the Traders' Committee proposed to place in some of the Hotels and Boarding Houses. Resolved, That the same be approved.

7—Naunton Park—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Rustic Arch at Naunton Park Recreation Ground required repairing at a cost of £4. Resolved, That the work be carried out.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

5—Parliamentary Registration--The Town Clerk laid before the Committee an account of the expenses of carrying into effect the provisions of the Acts for the Parliamentary Registration of Voters for the year 1914-15, amounting to £88 15s. 5d. Resolved, That the said sum be certified under the Common Seal to be payable by the Parishes of Cheltenham and Charlton Kings, viz.: Cheltenham £76 7s. 6d. Charlton Kings £12 7s. 11d.

6—Contribution in lieu of General District Rate—The letter from Lt.-Colonel Hay, of the National Reserves, asking for a contribution equal to the amount of the General District Rate paid in respect of their Headquarters, Great Western Road, was again considered, and it was Resolved, That a subscription of £2 14.. 8d. be made under the powers conferred on the Council by the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, and the Cheltenham Order, 1905, and that the matter be further considered at the end of March next.

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

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

In hand on the 27th October last		2,164 14 1
Received since that date (including Loans on Debenture £7,700		<u>25,670 10 9</u>
		27,835 4 10
Paid since that date		<u>15,652 12 11</u>
	In hand	12,182 11 11
being General Accounts	8,047 5 0	
Sinking Fund Accounts	4,090 10 6	
"Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts	<u>44 16 5</u>	
	In hand	12,182 11 11

J. WAGHORNE,
Chairman.