

## 1923 - 1931

**A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Friday the 31<sup>st</sup> day of August 1923, at 3.0 p.m.**

### Present

Mr. Geo. M. Maryon – Wilson in the Chair  
Admiral The Honourable Sir Stanley Colville H.C.B.  
Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart  
Colonel Needham  
Mr. James Card  
„ W.W.S. Follett  
„ D.W. Freshfield  
„ R. Kenward  
„ Edward Martin  
„ William Mitchell

The Chairman explains in consequence of the lack of any important business he exercised his authority in postponing the Meeting of the Board until today.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> June last are read and confirmed.

### **Ditch, R.A.F. Golf Club**

Ranger Brown reports that the ditch cut by the R.A.F. Golf Club had been filled in.

### **Refuse At Forest Row**

The Clerk reports that he wrote to the Rural District Council of East Grinstead urging them to make provision for the collection of domestic refuse at Forest Row and read a reply dated the 30<sup>th</sup> June last stating,

“The Council sympathise with the Conservators on their difficulties of dealing with the matter referred to and that they will be pleased to assist in any way they can, but they do not see their way to undertake a system of collecting house refuse in the Parish of Forest Row at present.”

Mr. Freshfield states that he has reason to believe that the Council will in time reconsider their decision. It is Resolved that the Clerk keep the matter in mind with a view to exercising further pressure when a suitable opportunity arises.

### **Ranger Kirby New Bicycle**

The Chairman reports that he authorized the purchase of a new bicycle for use of Ranger Kirby at the cost of £ 8: 5: 0. It is Resolved that the Chairman be thanked for his trouble in the matter and that the cost of the bicycle be paid out the General Account.

### **Mr. R.H. Stevenson, License**

The Clerk reports that the license to Mr. R.H. Stevenson authorized at the last Meeting has been granted and Mr. Stevenson has paid the first Acknowledgement of 2/6.

### **Miss Rumbold, Water Pipe**

The Clerk reports that the license to Miss Rumbold to lay a water pipe under the Forest land from Rist Wood to Yew Tree Hall has been signed, and Ranger Brown reports that the work has been carried out and the surface of the Forest restored to his satisfaction.

### **Finances**

The Clerk produces the Bank Books which show that the balances are as follows:

General Account:	£ 131: 14: 2
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger Account:	28: 18: 5
Protection & Improvement Fund:	160: 5: 8

The Clerk states that since the last Meeting he has received £ 56: 4: 6 subscriptions to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger Fund.

## **Rate**

The Clerk reports that the rate made on the twenty ninth September 1922 will be practically exhausted by the next Meeting. It is Resolved that notice be given on the Agenda for the next Meeting of the Board to make a new Rate and that the Clerk prepare the necessary documents for the purpose.

## **Applications For P.O. Telephone Lines**

Sir Francis Champneys states that as Local Member of the County Council, applications made by the Post Office to the County Council for the erection of telegraph and telephone lines within the District he represents are sent to him by the County Surveyor for his views, and he has suggested to the County Surveyor that he should also consult the Clerk of the Conservators.

It is Resolved that the Clerk be instructed to request the County Surveyor to submit to him any applications affecting the Forest and to ask for an assurance that he will do so.

Mr. Freshfield, on behalf of the Forest Row Committee reports,

## **Mr. Barolet, Encroachment**

That Mr. Barolet, the purchaser of the Brickyard Farm near Gills Lap, having erected a fence which inclosed certain stripes of Forest Land, he viewed the fence and that Mr. Barolet has since rectified his fence.

## **Clearing Site Of Forest Row Camp**

The sum of £ 4: 16: 3 has been incurred for labour and insurance for removing thistles etc around and on the site of the Forest Row Camp between 7<sup>th</sup> July and 4<sup>th</sup> August inst.

## **Refuse, Deposit Notices**

It is desirable that notice boards be erected prohibiting the deposit of refuse on the Forest and that hand bills to the same effect be circulated.

## **Telephone Line To Water Farm**

The license for extending the telephone line to Water Farm has not yet been completed, the Clerk is waiting to receive an amended form of license.

It is resolved that the Report be approved and entered on the Minutes.

## **Clearing Site Of Forest Row Camp – Protection & Improvement Fund**

That the bill for £ 4: 16: 3 be paid out of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

## **Notices Prohibiting Deposit Of Refuse - Protection & Improvement Fund**

That it be referred to the Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of the two District Committees to settle the form of notice prohibiting the deposit of refuse on Forest land, the pattern and number of notice boards and the positions \*\*\* which they shall be erected and to have them erected, and to decide as to the issue of leaflet notices, the expenses incurred by them to be paid out of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

## **Telephone Line Marden Hill**

The Special Committee appointed to deal with the application of the Post Office for the erection of an overhead telephone line down Marden Hill report that it was suggested to the Post Office that they should avoid the Forest land by connecting up with the existing line at Lye Green but that the Post Office having given reasons why this would be too costly the Committee ultimately assented to the route originally proposed as it does not seriously affect the amenities of the Forest.

It is resolved that the Committee be thanked for their efforts in the matter.

Mr. Follett states that the Maresfield Committee have nothing to report.

## **Cheques**

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

Kirby Herbert:

11 weeks salary @ £ 2 to 3<sup>rd</sup> prox.: £ 22: -: -

Ditto house rent @ 5/- to do: 2: 15: -

Ditto Employers Insurance @ 1/3: \_\_\_\_\_ 13: 9

£ 25: 8: 9

Brown William:

11 weeks salary @ £ 35 to 3<sup>rd</sup> prox.: £ 19: 5: -

Ditto Employers Insurance @ 1/3: \_\_\_\_\_ 13: 9

£ 19: 18: 9

The Clerk:

A half year's salary to the 30<sup>th</sup> June last £ 75: -: - .

It is resolved that the next Meeting of the Board be held on Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> November next at 3.0 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The Meeting terminated at 3.50 p.m.

Chairman

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„ Edward Martin

„ William Mitchell

„ Thomas Osborne

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 31<sup>st</sup> August last are read and confirmed.

**Applications For Telephone Lines**

The Clerk reports that the County Surveyor on the 10<sup>th</sup> September last acknowledged the Clerk's letter to him requesting that any applications made to him for the consent of the East Sussex County Council to the construction of telephone or telegraph lines affecting the Forest should be submitted to him as Clerk to the Board and not sent to the local member of the Council as at present, and stated that he would submit it to the Roads and Bridges Committee. The Chairman states that as a Member of that Committee he strongly urged compliance with the application, but that the Committee refused their sanction and declined to state any reason for such refusal.

**Refuse, Notice Boards**

The Chairman reports that the Committee appointed to deal with the matter of notices prohibiting the deposit of refuse on the Forest went fully into the matter and drew up a form of notice which he produces and decided to have notice boards painted and erected on parts at 7 points in The Forest Row District, viz, (1) Top of Chapel Lane (2) Cherry Orchard, near the gate of Broadstone Warren (3) Wych Cross \*\* Cross Roads (4) Near the Goat (5) Ridge Road near Miss Hall Park (6) Ashdown Place, near present Notice Boards against cutting Holly (7) Chuck Hatch, near Hartfield Road, and at 6 points in the Maresfield District, viz (1) At Pound Gate just above Mrs. Dadswell's Cottage (2) New Road at turning just below Poplar Farm (3) At Duddleswell Corner at side of present notice board (4) At corner of track leading to Old Windmill opposite Marlpit Cottages (5) At bottom of Faiwarp Uckfield Road below the Church (6) At corner of Main Road leading to Greenwood Gate. The Committee do not consider it necessary to issue leaflets. The Committee will proceed to have the notice boards prepared and erected.

It is resolved that the action of the Committee be approved and confirmed.

### **Water Farm, Telephone Line**

The Clerk produces an amended application from the Post Office with plan attached for approval of the extension of the telephone line from Quabrook Gate to Water Farm and Broadstone showing that all poles originally erected for the line from Quabrook Gate to Holly Croft and Yew Tree Hall are to be removed except the 9<sup>th</sup> on the North side of Yew Tree Hall which at the Clerk's suggestion they have agreed to move nearer to the boundary of Yew Tree Hall, and that, with that exception the whole of the line will be under ground. The Clerk states that for the original line the Post Office undertook to pay a yearly acknowledgement of 11/- but for the amended line they propose to pay only 1/- to the Conservators and 1/- to the Lord on the ground that under Section 6 (4) of the \*\*\* Telegraph Act 1863 the Post Office only requires the consent of the owner of land in respect of underground telegraphs, which the Clerk states is correct. It is Resolved that the Clerk be authorized to sign the Consent to the application.

### **Finances**

The Clerk produces the Bank Books which show that the balances are as follows:

General Account:	£ 31: 15: 5
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger Account:	39: 5: 8
Protection & Improvement Fund:	140: 16: 0

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger Fund**

The Clerk reports that after making strenuous efforts he has secured subscriptions to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger Fund for the year amounting to £ 86: 3: 0 and donations £ 14: 2: 0, some of which may no doubt be relied on for continuance, and that it is possible a few more subscriptions may come in as one of £ 2: 2: 0 was only received on the 6<sup>th</sup> inst.

### **Pelham, Carting Finished**

The Clerk reports that Mr. Pelham having completed his cartage to Pippingford Farm Buildings and made good the surface to the satisfaction of Ranger Brown, he has returned his deposit of £ 10.

### **Messrs Connor, License For Cartage**

Messrs Connor Brothers of Crowborough having applied for permission to cart building materials over Forest Land for the erection of a house for Lord Castlestewart, the Clerk on the authority of Mr. Follett granted them a license and received a deposit of £ 10 as security for the proper restoration of the surface.

It is Resolved that the action of the Clerk be approved and confirmed.

### **Mr. S. Winkley Smith, Deposit Of Wood**

Ranger Brown reports that Mr. S. Winkley Smith has not yet completed the removal of the excess of wood deposited outside his fence. It is Resolved that the Clerk inform him that the deposit must be reduced to the authorized dimensions of 12 feet by 18 feet before the 31<sup>st</sup> December next.

### **\*\*\* Fire**

Ranger Brown also reports that when passing Mr. Winkley Smith's property today he saw smoke arising from an old stone pit on the Forest opposite Mr. Winkley Smith's property, and found his Gardner, Smith, there burning rubbish. Ranger Brown reminded him that about 2 months ago he cautioned him that no fire must be lit on the Forest and the Gardner replied that Mr. Winkley Smith lit the present fire himself yesterday.

It is resolved that the Clerk write to Mr. Winkley Smith drawing his attention to Bye Law 4 and inform him that it must be complied with.

### **Anglia Film Co. Permission**

The Anglia Films Ltd. having applied for leave to take some films on the Forest near Gills Lap, the Clerk communicated with Mr. Follett and as Earl De La Warr approved and desired to view the proceedings the Clerk with Mr. Follett's approval informed the Company that no objection would be made provided every precaution is taken against fire and any rubbish is cleared away, and he received an assurance to that effect. It is Resolved that the action of the Clerk be confirmed.

### **Hon. Hugh Godley License For Direction Post**

Mr. Follett submits an application from The Honourable Hugh Godley for permission to erect on Forest land a notice board pointing the way to his residence, The Ridge. It is Resolved that a revocable license be granted to him

to erect the direction post in such position as may be approved by the Forest Row Committee, subject to the payment of a yearly acknowledgement of 1/-.

### **Crowborough Cricket Club**

Mr. Follett also submits an application from the Crowborough Cricket Club for permission to turf their cricket ground on the Forest, and to fence it in to the extent of about  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre. It is Resolved that a revocable license be granted to the Club to fence in not exceeding about  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre, the area to be approved by the Maresfield Committee Subject to the payment of a yearly acknowledgement of 5/-.

### **Rate**

The Clerk having reported that funds in hand are now exhausted and having produced an estimate of the annual expenses. It is proposed by Mr. Edward Martin seconded by Mr. W.W.S. Follett and unanimously resolved that a Rate be made for defraying the expenses of the Conservators in the execution of their duties under the Award made under the provisions of the Inclosure Acts 1845 – 1878 and the Commons Regulation (Ashdown Forest) Provisional Order Confirmation Act 1885 to be levied upon the respective owners of the Rights of Common upon Ashdown Forest at the rate of six pence per acre in respect of the acreage of their respective lands to which such rights attach which owners and the respective sums payable by them are hereinafter set forth namely:

Bennett, Mr. George	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	0:2:4		-	6
Bennett, Mr. J.	Furners Green, Dane Hill, Uckfield	2 . .		1	-
Bibby, Mrs. Katharine	Chelwood Corner, Nutley	9: 1.		5	-
Bibby, H.C. Esqre	Ditto (Pt Chelwood Farm)				
Birch, Fredk J. Peregrine Esq.	c/o Messrs Birch & Co. Warnford Count,				
Deced, The Repres of	Throgmorton St., London EC 2	3:3:12		2	-
Birch, Francis J.P. Esq	c/o E.P. Whitley Hughes Esqre., East Grinstead	30 . .		15	-
Bishop, Mr. Samuel & son	Forest Row (Pt Wallhill)	2 . .		1	-
Blackie, Alfred Esqre.	Ulverstone, Marden Hill, Crowborough				
Bond, Major W.C. O.B.E.	Shalesbrook, Forest Row (late Taylor)	3 . .		1	6
Box, Mr. Richard	Rozell Lodge 329, Hainault Road, Leytonstone, E.11	1:3 .		1	-
Brailey, W.H Esqre M.D	21, Lansdowne Place, Hove	1 . .			6
Bridgwater, Miss	Hooke Cottage, Forest Row ,	1 . .			6
Brown, Mr. Alfred	Bank Farm cottage, Forest Row	39			6
Browning, Mr. William	Chelwood Common Dane Hill Uckfield	9: 2:		5	-
Bull, The Revd B.A.	Yewhurst, Forest Row	36:1:20		18	6
Burgess, Mr. Edward	Cherry Tree Cottage, Dane Hill, Uckfield	6:3: 4		3	6
Burns, L.B. Esqre	Brimpton Lodge, Brumpton, Berks	5. 14		3	-
Burns Mrs. Clementina	Andrews Bark, Colemans Hatch,	3 . .		1	6
Collard, Col.	Mount Pleasant Farm, Fairwarp (late Miss **)	3 . .		1	6
Card, Mr. Abraham	Tompsetts Bank, Forest Row	1. - -			6
Card, Mr. James	Shalesbrook Farm, Forest Row	8. - -		4	-
Carey, Wilfred Hardacre Esqre	Forest Row (late G.S. Martin)	1. - -			6
Carr, Mr. Henry	Fords Green, Nutley (late A. Turner)	- 2 -			6
Carr, Mr. William	Coffee Hall, Nutley	- - 28			6
Carter, Mr. A.E.	(late Joseph Ridley)	1. - -			6
Carver, P.W. Esqre.	(Late Cohen)				
Castlestewart, The Rt. Hon	Old Lodge (late Waters)	23. - 7		12	-
Champneys Sir F.H. Bart	Littlemead, Nutley	7. 3. -		4	-
Cholmeley, H.P. Esqre M.D.	Forest Edge, Forest Row	1. 2. -		1	-
Clarke, Mrs. Stephenson dece. The	c/o Messrs Daniel Watney & Sons,	133.3.13	3	7	-
Trustees of					-
Clarke, Lt. col. Stephenson R.C.B	4a Fredericks Place, Old Jewey,	56. 2. -	1	8	6
Clarke, Chas. Bridges Cornely Esqre	London, E.C.2	595.1.7	14	18	-
Clough, A.H. Esqre.	C/o J.T. Marriott Esqre. Estate office Brockenhurst, Hants	392. 1. -	9	16	6
Colchester, The Rt. Hon. Lady	c/o S.P. Whitley Hughes Esqre, East Grinstead	213. -	5	6	6
Colville, Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley G.C.B	Pixton, Forest Row	38.2.37		19	6
Constable Mrs. Lucy S	Fords Bank, Horney Common, Uckfield	2.2. 28		1	6
Cook , J. R. Esqre	Sharpthorne House, West Hoathly	5: 1: 4		3	-
Cooper, Ernest Esqre. J.P.	c/o Turner, Rudge & Turner, East Grinstead	140 . .	3	10	-
Corbett Chas. J. Henry Esq. J.P.	Woodgate, Dane Hill, Uckfield	248.1.24	6	4	6
Cottingham, Mr. W.	Bebern Bridge Farm, Charley, Sussex	3 : 1: 10		2	-
Cowan, Sir W. H. Bart M P	Crows Nest Fairwarp	6.2.20			
Ditto	Ditto (Barnsden **** Streatfeild)	88. 1. -	2	7	6
Curd, Mr. L.	Millbrook, Nutley, (late B. Stevenson)	10. - -		5	-
Dadswell, Mr. R.	c/o Miss Fullegar & H. Watson, Ballards Hill, Goudhurst, Kent	1. - -			6
Darwin Major Leonard RE	Cripps Corner, Forest Row	33. 2. .		17	-
Davis, J.S. Esqre.	Redcot, Fairwarp	7. 2.16		4	-
Day, Mrs.	Cema House, College lane, East Grinstead (pt Wallhill)	- 2. -			6
DeLuttesham, Miss Selma & Meyer	Solvane, Birch Grove, East Grinstead	6.3.1		3	6
Miss Katherine					
Dennet, Mr. John	Piltdown Nursery, Uckfield	9. 3. 8		5	-

Dodd, Mrs.	16 Codrington Road, Ramsgate (pt Wallhill)	1. - -			6
Dodge, Miss Mary Hoadley	C/o W.W.S. Follett Esqre Broomhill, Crowborough	11. 1. 30		6	-
Douglas, Miss Charlattee Amy	Harlie, Forest Row	- : 2. 1			6
Dowson, Joseph Emerson Esq	Landhurst Wood, Hartfield	8.0.24		4	6
Duckworth, Geo. H. Esqre	Darlingridge Place, East Grinstead	61: 8:23	1	11	-
DuCroz Charles Grant Esqre	Court Lands, West Hoathley	55. 2. -	1	8	-
decd. The Repres of					
Eason, E. Hy. Physick Esq	192 Bishopsgate London, E.C.2	1. 1. 8		1	-
East Grinstead Gas & Water Coy	East Grinstead (Part Wall Hill)	1. 3 -		1	-
East Sussex County Council	The County Accountant, County Hall , Lewes (late Maryon – Wilson)	83. 1. 13	2	2	-
Eckstern, Frederich G.J. Esq	Oldlands Hall, Near Uckfield	285. - -	7	2	6
Eden, A.F. Esqre	The Crossways, Hartfield	5. 3. 32		3	-
Erill, Arthur Esqre	Ashdown House, Forest Row	32. - -		16	-
Faber, Alfred Esq	Offerton, Forest Row,	3. – 16		2	-
Fellows, Miss N.S.F. Nixon Miss E.	Summerford, Fairwarp	4 - -		2	-
Ferris, Cob. W.B	Wilonshurst, Fletching				
F. Flollictt, Esqre	9 Montague Gardens, Tunbridge Wells	26. 3. 8		13	6
Follett, W.W.S Esq	Broomhill, Crowborough	5. -		2	6

Killick, Mr. Henry	Hartfield	- 1. -			6
Kindersley, Sir R.M.G.B.E.	15, Charles Street, Berkley Square, W. 1	70. - -	1	15	-
Knight Mr. T.	Railway Inn, Forest Row	- 2. 2			6
Lack, Dr.	Brown House, Forest Row	1. 1. 29		1	-
Lambert, G.N. Esq.	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill Uckfield	4. 2. -		2	6
Langridge, Mr. Enoch	Dane Hill, Uckfield	1. 2. -		1	-
Lapage, Dr.	Forest Row (Pt Bank Fm late G.T. Martin)	1. - -			6
Larnach, Nevil , Mrs.	C/o Stanley Pott Esq, Brambletye, Estate Office, East Grinstead	544. - -	13	12	-
Lawer, Miss Elizth Fielder	Graystone, Crowborough	5. 2. -		3	-
Lewis, G. Esqre	Bank Farm House, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	1. 2. -		1	1
Loftus, Lt. Col. Douglas	Nutley Court, Nutley	18. 2. 5		9	6
Longley, Mr. C. decd The Repres of	Oakhurst, Golf Road, Forest Row	- 1. 1			6
Longley C.J. Esq	Rathcote, Crawley, Sussex (late Du Croz)				
Longley & Waters, Messrs	Forest Row (late Wall Hill)	40. 1. 10	1	-	6
Loveday, Mr. Charles	Primrose alley, Forest Row, (pt Bank Fm)	- 1. -			6
Lucas, F.R. Esqre	Streeters Rough, Chelwood Gate, Uckfield	29. 1. 13		15	-
Lucas, Mrs.	Bramblehurst, Ashwist Wood, (Bramble Hurst)	40. 2. -			
	East Grinstead (late Wall Hill)	8 - 15	1	4	6
Lumsden, Esqre	Wrexham Lodge, Forest Row	3. - -		1	6
Macmillan Maurice, Esq	Birch Grove House,	13. - -		6	6
Macmillan, Mrs. Helen Artie	near East Grinstead	44. 1. 11	1	2	6
Mac Wood, Miss	Greylands, Nutley (late Mrs. Britt)	1. - -			6
Manners, Mrs. J. T.	Bankside, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5. - -		2	6
Mansbridge, Mr. James	Spring View, Forest Row (late Bellingham)	- - 20			6
Marchant Mr. Thomas	Cackle Street, Maresfield	5. - -		2	6
Maresfield, The Rector of	The Rectory, Maresfield	100. - -	2	10	-
Marriott, Mr. & Miss Cordelia J	c/o Messrs. Hastie, 65 Lincolns Inn Fields W.C. 2	65. - -17	1	13	-
Marsden, James Esqre	Hurst Wood House High Hurst Wood, Uckfield	3. 2. -		2	-
Martin, Edward Esqre J.P.	Woodcote, Forest Row,	1. 1. 28		1	-
Martin Mr. William	Coach & Horses, Dane Hill, Uckfield	8. 1. -		4	6
Martin, Mr. George T.	Forest Row (late F.J.P. birch)	1. - -			
	(late Wall Hill)	- 1. -			
Ditto	Ditto (Pt Bank Farm)	4. - -		3	-
Mashette, Esqre	Dennis Cross, Hook Heath, Woking	5. - -		2	6
May, Paul Stanley Esq & others	c/o Messrs. Finnis, Downey, Linnell & Chessher	79. 2. 37	2		
	5. Clifford street, Bond Street, W 1				
Mr. Andrew, John Esq J.P	Holly Hill, Colemans Hatch	305:1:39	7	13	-
Mc. Lachlan, J.A. Esq	Forest Lodge, Horney Common, Uckfield	16. 1. 5		8	6
Mc Leod, Addison Esq	c/o Alfred Savill & sons, 51 Lincolns Inn fields, W.E. 2	8. - -		4	-
M***, H.E. Esqre.	29, Lamb Street, E.C.	4. 2. 16		2	6
Miles, Mrs. L.A.E.	Dane Hill, Uckfield (nee May)	15. 3. 26		8	-
Miles, Mr. H.	Pitlands Farm, Hartfield (Graddocks late W.B. Johnson)	19. 2. -		10	-
Mitchell Mr. William	Forest Row	1. 1. -		1	-
Ditto & Eliza Brett	Ditto	- 1. 10			6
Morrice, Mrs.	Oak Tree Cottage, Forest Row (Pt Bank Fm)	2. 2. -		1	6



Morris, Miss T.V.	Brackley Cottage, Fairwarp	14. 2. 30		7	6
Muir, Major John	Fords Green, Nutley (late A. Turner)	- 1. -			6
Needham, Colonel Charles	Tylehurst, Forest Row	58. - -	1	9	-
Neild, Dr.	Shaw Cottage, Hartfield (late *****)				
Nobler, Percy G. Esqre	36, Oakhill Road, East Putney, S.W. 15 (late Young)	18. 2. -		9	6
Norman, Mr. Henry deced Repres Of	Fairwarp, Uckfield	6. - -		3	-
Osborne, Mr. Albert	Oaklands, Duddleswell, Maresfield	- 3. 15			6
Osborne, Mr. George	Hill End Farm, Nutley	2. 2. -		1	6
Osborne, Bros. Messrs.	Hill End Farm, Nutley	48. 3. 24			-
Ditto	Ditto (Pair *** opp Church, late A. Turner)	- 1. -	1	5	-
Osborne, Mrs Mahala	Great Bucksteep Farm, Bodle street,	4. - 11		2	6
Osborne, Mr. William	Foresters Arms	15. 2. 18		8	-
Ditto & Eliza his wife	Fairwarp	14. 2. -		7	6
Osborne, Mr. Thomas	Nutley,	12. 2. -		6	6
Ditto & Harriett his wife	Uckfield	17. - -		8	6
Oxley, William Esq	33, Queen's Road, Tunbridge Wells	28. 1. 8		14	6
Parsons, Miss Murial	Mouse Hole, Forest Row. (Pt Bank Fm)	1. 2. 19		1	-
Pearson, A.J. Esqre	Woodlands Nursery, Maresfield (late Barnard)	12. - -		6	-
	Sunnyside, Hartfield				
Peckham, Mr. George	Lisburne, Nutley	- 1. 16			6
Penfold, Mr. Harry	Newbridge, Colemans Hatch	2. 1. 8		1	6
Philcox, Mr. George	The Vicarage, Nutley	2. 2. -		1	6
Phillips, The Revd. J.S, M.A.	Ashdown Cottage, Forest Row	4. - -		2	-
Phillips, Mrs.	Harlie, Forest Row	- 2. -			6
Playford, Miss Agnes	Broadstone, Forest Row	- - 16			6
Plevins, G.S. Esq		* 3. 20		2	

Portman, The Hon Claude	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co. Lewes	-			
Powell, Mrs. V.N.W.	Bledlow, Bucks	2. 1. 26		1	6
Public Trustee, The	c/o Major Waller, Maresfield Park	2401. 2.	60	1	-
	Uckfield (late Miirlster)	23			
Raven, W.J. Esqre	The Bungalow, Parroch Wood, Colemans Hatch	15. 3. 5		8	-
Rowlings, G.H. Esqre	Little Denstone, Forest Row	2. - -		1	-
Reed Mrs. Emma	Bank Cottage, near Broadstone, Forest Row	2. 2. -		1	6
Richardson, Capt. J.	Pound Gate, Buxted (late Dennis)	2. 2. -		1	6
Ridley Mr. Spencer	Mill Brook, Nutley	12. 2. -		6	6
Ridley Mr. A.J	Horney Common, Maresfield	- 1 -			6
Ridley Mr. Sylvanus	Nutley	26. - -		13	-
Ridley, Mr. Henry	Ditto	- 1. 32			6
Ridley, Mr. F. T	Ditto (late Cook)	- - 15			6
Ridley Mrs. Lucy Rose	White House Farm, Horney Common,	19. 2. 26		10	-
Ridley, Mr. Harry	Near Church Gate, Cowden, Edenbridge	- 1. 8			6
Riley, Mrs.	Nutley (late A. Turner)	3. 1. 28		2	-
*****, John Esqre	R.A.F. Golf Club, Forest Row	- 1. 13			6
Rumbold, Miss Katherine Cecilia	Yew Tree Hall, Forest Row	4. 2. -		2	6
Samuel Sir Stuart M. Bart	12 Hill Street, Mayfair, W. 1	5. 1. 29		3	-
Sergeant, Mrs.	“Newport” De la Warr Rd. East Grinstead (Rt Wall Hill)	1. - -			6
Saunders, Mr. Harry	Hawthorn (Rt Bank Fm)	- 1. 3			6
Saunders, Mrs. Harry	Forest Row (Rt Wall Hill)	- 1. -			6
Saville, Miss & Sturdy, Miss	Shepherds Gate, Colemans Hatch	5. 1. -		3	-
Sayers, Mr. Thomas	Post Office, Forest Row	- 1. -			6
Sclater, The Rev. F. S. S.	Newick Park, Newick, Lewes	69. - 14	1	15	-
Scott, Mrs Hannah	Duddleswell, Uckfield	- 2. -			6
Seymour, Mr. Mark	Post Horn Lane, Forest Row	- 1. -			6
Shakerley Ackers, G.H. Esq	Moreton Hall, Duddleswell, near Uckfield	12. - -		6	-
Shelford, W.H. Esq	Horncastle, East Grinstead	22. 2. 26		11	6
Sheppard, S.D. Esqre	Claypit Farm, Colemans Hatch				
Shoebridge, Mr. Thos.	Nutley	8. 2. 37			
Ditto	Ditto (Late Cook)	2. 1. 27		6	-
Shoebridge, Mr. Owen	East Croft, Nutley	2. - -		1	-
Shipworth, Mrs. L.	Maresfield (late Miss Thomas)	- 1. -			6
*** ,E.P. Esqre	Spring Meadow, Forest Row	1. - -			6
Skinner, Mr. V.W.	Dodds Grove, Nutley (late ****)	9. - 29	23	5	-
Smith, Lt Col. C.	Putlands, Fairwarp (late ****)	11. 3. 20		6	6
Soames, Arthur Gillstrap Esqre	c/o John Edwd. Eggleton Esqre, Estate Office, Sheffield Park, Uckfield	950. - 10		15	
Snelgrove, John Sidney Esqre	The Plottage, Forest Row				6
Stanbridge, Mrs.	5 Benthall Grove, West Craydon, Surrey	- - 31	1		-
Steel, Major F.B.	Pricketts Hatch, Nutley (late Bailey)	27. 3. 31		14	6
Sterling, Miss F.M	Home Wood, Hartfield	48. 2. 32		4	-
Stevenson, Mrs. Mary Ann	Collin ford, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5. 2. -		3	6

Stevenson, Mr. Frank	Little Shelf, Nutley	1. - -			-
Stevenson, Mr. Stephen	Ditto	3. 1. -		2	6
Stevenson, Mr. Nelson	Marlpits, Nutley (late L. Waters)	3. - -		1	6
Stevenson, Mr. Richard	Millbrook Farm, Nutley	4. 2. 21		2	
Streatfeild, R.J. Esq JP.	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co. Lewes				-
Streater, Mr. William	Nutley	12. - -		6	
Swan, Edwd. Arthur Esqre	The Grove, Woodhurst Park	- - 24			
Ditto	Ditto (late Freshfield)				6
Sydenham, Dr. Geo. *****	Chelwood Gate, Dane Hill, Uckfield	1. - -			
Tamplin & sons Brewery Brighton Ltd	Phoenix Brewery, Brighton (late Southdown Brewery)	- 2. - 4. 2. 30		3	-
Taylor, Mr. George	Old Workhouse, Fairwarp	10. - -		5	6
Taylor, Mrs.	St. James Road, East Grinstead (Rt Wall Hill FM)	- 1. -			6
Taylor, Mr. James	Barnfield Hoadley Lane Crowborough	- 1. 16			6
Taylor, Mr. Thomas	Hartfield Rd, Forest Row (Rt Blacklands FM)	- 2. -			6
Thomas G.H &. Esqre	Oakcroft, Hartfield	2. - 38		1	-
Thomton, The Honble M.A.	103 Ebury Street, S.W. 1 (late Bellairs)	5. 2. -		3	6
Tomsett, Mrs.	Tompsetts Bank, Forest Row (Rt Wall Hill Fm)	- 2. -			6
Tribe, Miss F.V.	Nutley (Frogs, Hole, late T. Shoebridge)				
Turner, Albert Esqre decd The Repres of	The Limes, Nutley	2. 2. -		1	
Turner, Messrs C & J.	Whitehouse Farm, Coleman's Hatch (late Hale)				-
Turner, Mr. Edward	Walnut Tree Inn, Brenchley Paddock Wood Kent	18. - -		9	6
Turner Mrs. James	Hugletts Pitt Farm, Nutley	- 1. -			-
Turner, Mr. Nelson	Nutley (late Cook)				-
Ditto	Ditto (Rt Court House, Nutley, late Wilson)	2. - - - 1. 24 **		1 2	-

Tyler, Mr. Allen	Horney Common, near Uckfield	4. 2. –		2	6
Tyler, Mr. Enoch	Ditto	5. 3. –		3	-
Underwood, Mrs. Fredk	Post Horn Lane, Forest Row (late Wm Miles)	1. - -			6
Verner, Mrs.	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	12. - -		6	-
Villenenve Smith F. Esq	5 Sussex Mandions, South Kensington, S.W.L	3. - -		1	6
Vokins, W.H. Esqre	“Beechwood”, Withden, Brighton	7. – 26		4	-
Walker, Miss Hester M.	Prior’s Field, Forest Row	1. 2. –		1	-
Wallace, Mrs.	Graddocks Farm, Hartfield (late Johnson)	19. 12. –		10	-
Wallis, Mrs. Reginald	The Forge, Rotherfield	2. - -		1	-
Walls, Mrs. Annie	Cackle Street, Nutley	4. - -		2	-
Walsham, Mrs	Warrenside, Forest Row	2. - -		1	-
Walter, Mr. Alfred deced	c/o Mr. Spencer Walter, Marlpits Fairwarp	3. - -		1	6
The Repres of					
Walter, Mr. John	Dodds Bank, Nutley	3.- -		1	6
Warwick, Charles Esqre	Lower *****, Hartfield	91. 3. –	2	6	-
Waters, Messrs H & E	Highgate, Forest Row	57. – 23	1	9	-
Waters, Mrs. Edgar	Forest Row (late W.W. Bashford)				
Waters Mr. Henry J.		1. 3. -		1	-
Waters, Mr. James	Forest Row	- 2. 8			6
Waters, Mr. John	Ditto	51. - -	1	5	6
Watson, Dr.	Chapel Lane, Forest Row	- - 20			6
Weeding, Mr. Thrope	Colemans Hatch (late Mrs. Bellingham)	- 1-			6
Weeks, Mr. Fredk. Robt	Forest Hotel, Forest Row (Rt Bank Fm)	- 3. 20			6
Welfare, Mr. William	Ocklye Farm, Withyham	3. - -		1	6
Wheatley, Mr. Jesse	Whitehouse Bank, Chuck Hatch, Hartfield (late Mrs. Bellingham)				
Wheatley, Mr. Joseph	Colemans Hatch	4. - -		2	-
Wheatley, Mr. William	Nutley (Nursery Cotts late A. Turner)	- 2. 13			6
Wheeler, Mr. Charles	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5. - -		2	6
White, Mrs.	Nortington Villa, London Rd., Brugess Hill	- - 11			6
White, Mr. Samuel	White Hall Cottage, Forest Row	- 1. –			6
White, Mrs. Lilian Sophia	18 Chapel Road, Fishers Gate, Portside	1. - -			6
White, W. Lesland Esqre	Atherton	- 1. –			
Ditto	East Grinstead (Rt Broyle Fm Freshfield)	- 1. –			6
Whitewood, Mrs. Clara Sophia	Nutley	2. 1. –		1	6
Wickens, Mrs. Spencer Senr.	c/o Messrs Hunt, Currey & Nicholson	15. - -		7	6
Deced, The Executors of	& Co. ,Solicitors, Lewes				
Wickens, Mr. J.H.		11. - -		5	6

Wickens Mr. Simeon	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	45. - -			
Ditto	Ditto (late A. Turner)	- 1. -	1	3	-
Wickham, Mr. Humphrey	Pock Hill, Forest Row,	7. - -		3	6
Wickham, Mr. Arthur	Forest Bank, Nutley,	4. 1. 25		2	6
Willett, Arnold J. Esqre	18 Deans Yard, Westminster	5. 2. -			
	S.W 1 (late Sargeant)	7. - -		6	6
Willett, Dr. E.W.	"Spyways", Hartfield	5. - -		2	6
Williamson, Geo F. Esqre	Ashdown, Hartfield	5. - 15		3	-
Wilson, Mr. Edward	Mount Pleasant, Old Lands, Maresfield	1. - -			6
Wilson Geo M. Maryon Esq J.P	Searles, Uckfield	1214.	30	7	6
		3.26			
Wood, Mr. Jesse deceased	c/o Messrs Turner & Jones, Solicitors, East	11. 2. -		6	-
The Repres of	Grinstead				
Wood Mr. Ephraim	Duddleswell, Uckfield	10. - 16		5	6
Wood, John Edgar, Esqre	"Glenville", London Rd, West Malling, Kent	4. - -		2	-
Wood, Mr. Frederick	Fair Place Farm, Nutley	26. 2. 5		13	6
Wood, Mrs. E.M	The Hollies, 9 Bennett Park, Blackheath, SE	30. 3. -		15	6
Wood, Mr. H.	Nutley (late H.R. Young)	- 1. 19			6
Worthington, Godfrey Esq	Pickeridge, Forest Row				

### **Audit Committee**

It is resolved that Sir Francis H. Champneys, Mr. Follett and Mr. Kenward be appointed a Committee to audit the accounts of the Conservancy for the current year and to report.

### **Application For Telephone Line On Wych Cross To Nutley Road**

The Clerk submits an application dated the 25<sup>th</sup> alto from the Post Master General with a plan for the Consent of the Board to the erection of a telephone line and 3 poles between

“The Garde” and “Brooklands” near Wych Cross on the Forest Row to Nutley Road. It is resolved that the Clerk be authorized to sign a Consent subject to the yearly payment of 1/- per pole.

### **Mr. Snelgrove Claim To Rights**

The Clerk submits a claim of Mr. J. Sydney Snelgrove of The Plottage Ryst Wood to be acknowledged as a Commoner in respect of his property, being part of Rist Land containing about 8 acres and White House Farm at Quabrook Gate containing about 10 ½ acres. The Clerk reports that having inquired into the matter he is satisfied that the property in

It is Resolved that the Clerk keep the matter in mind with a view to exercising further pressure when a suitable opportunity arises.

### **Ranger Kirby New Bicycle**

The Chairman reports that he authorized the purchase of a new bicycle for use of Ranger Kirby at the cost of £ 8: 5: 0. It is Resolved that the Chairman be thanked for his trouble in the matter and that the cost of the bicycle be paid out the General Account.

### **Mr. R.H. Stevenson, License**

The Clerk reports that the license to Mr. R.H. Stevenson authorized at the last Meeting has been granted and Mr. Stevenson has paid the first Acknowledgement of 2/6.

### **Miss Rumbold, Water Pipe**

The Clerk reports that the license to Miss Rumbold to lay a water pipe under the Forest land from Rist Wood to Yew Tree Hall has been signed, and Ranger Brown reports that the work has been carried out and the surface of the Forest restored to his satisfaction.

### **Finances**

The Clerk produces the Bank Books which show that the balances are as follows:

General Account:                      £ 131: 14: 2

2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger Account:                      28: 18: 5

Protection & Improvement Fund: 160: 5: 8

The Clerk states that since the last Meeting he has received £ 56: 4: 6 subscriptions to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger Fund.

### **Rate**

The Clerk reports that the rate made on the twenty ninth September 1922 will be practically exhausted by the next Meeting. It is Resolved that notice be given on the Agenda for the next Meeting of the Board to make a new Rate and that the Clerk prepare the necessary documents for the purpose.

### **Applications For P.O. Telephone Lines**

Sir Francis Champneys states that as Local Member of the County Council, applications made by the Post Office to the County Council for the erection of telegraph and telephone lines within the District he represents are sent to him by the County Surveyor for his views, and he has

Kirby Herbert

10 weeks salary @ £ 2 to 12<sup>th</sup> inst      £ 20: 0: 0

Do house rent @ 5/-                              2:10: 0

Do Employers Insurance @ 1/3              12:6

£ 23: 2: 6

Brown William

10 weeks salary @35/- to 12<sup>th</sup> inst.      17:10: 0

Do. Employers Insurance @1/3              12: 6

£ 18: 2: 6

Ridley, F.T.

For Ranger Kirby's new bicycle              £ 8: 5: 0

It is Resolved that the Annual Meeting of Commoners be held on Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> December next at 11.0 a.m. at the Nutley Hotel at Nutley and that the next meeting of the Board be held immediately after the Commoners' meeting or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The Meeting terminated at 4.35 p.

Chairman

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**The Annual Meeting of the Commoners interested in Ashdown Forest duly convened by the Clerk by notice on the principal door of the Church of each of the Parishes and Ecclesiastical Districts into which the Forest extends, by advertisements in two newspapers circulating in the neighbourhood, to wit, "The Sussex Express" and "The Sussex Daily News" at least fourteen days before this date and by notice sent by post to every Commoner and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December 1923, at eleven O' Clock of the forenoon.**

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson Esqre. in the chair

The Honourable Sir Stanley C.J. Colville

Captain Beamish C.B.R.N.

Mr. James Card

" G.H. Duckworth

" W.W.S. Follett

" D.W. Freshfield

" Robert Kenward

" Edward Martin

" William Mitchell

" Thomas Osborne

" Henry Ridley

" John Rowe

" S.D. Sheppard

### **Chairman Election of**

On the proposition of Mr. Freshfield seconded by Mr. Martin, Mr. Maryon – Wilson is chosen Chairman and he having taken the Chair, the Clerk reads the notice convening the meeting and reports the due publication and circulation thereof as above mentioned. The Minutes of the last Meeting of Commoners are then read and confirmed.

### **Election of Conservators**

The Clerk reports that the Conservators who retire by rotation on the 31<sup>st</sup> inst. are Mr. William Mitchell Colonel, Colonel Charles Needham, Mr. William Webb Spencer Follett and Lieutenant Colonel Douglas Loftus who has expressed his desire to retire.

The Chairman then invite nominations to fill the first three vacancies.

It is proposed by Mr. Martin and seconded by Mr. Kenward that Mr. William Mitchell be re-elected a Conservator. It is proposed by Mr. Freshfield and seconded by Mr. Mitchell that Colonel Charles Needham be re-elected a Conservator.

It is proposed by Mr. Kenward and seconded by Mr. Osborne that Mr. William Webb Spencer Follett be re-elected a Conservator.

No other Commoner having been proposed to fill the first three vacancies the Chairman declares the above three Gentlemen duly elected Conservators for the ensuing three years ending the 31<sup>st</sup> December 1926.

The Chairman then invites nominations to fill the vacancy occasioned by the retirement of Lieutenant Colonel Loftus.

It is proposed by Sir Stanley Colville and seconded by Mr. Freshfield that Captain Tufton Percy Hamilton Beamish C.B.R.N. be elected a Conservator in the place of Lieutenant Colonel Loftus. No other Commoner being proposed to fill this vacancy the Chairman declares Captain Beamish duly elected a Conservator for the ensuing three years.

### **Dodds Bottom Footpath Repair**

A letter is read from Mr. W. Tyler of Dodds Bottom drawing attention to the very bad condition of the footpath there from the main road which is unfit for the children going to school and a danger to adults in the dark. The Chairman promises that the matter shall be dealt with by the Board of Conservators.

### **Rights of Commoners**

In reply to Mr. Duckworth the Clerk explains the rights of the Commoners to Common of pasture levant and couchan to take brakes and litter in the prescribed months for littering stock on the properties entitled to rights of common and in some cases to take estovers of birch, willow and alder for fuel, but that there are now very few of such trees growing on the Forest and that the fuel can only be taken for and used upon ancient hearths on property entitled to common rights which hearths must have existed long before 1689.

On the motion of Mr. Kenward seconded by Sir Stanley Colville it is unanimously resolved that a hearty vote of thanks be tendered to the Chairman for the very able and sympathetic manner in which he has carried out the duties of Chairman

Chairman

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### **A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Friday, the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1923 at 11.45 a.m.**

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson in the chair

Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley C.J. Colville K. C.B

Mr. James Card

Mr. W.W.S. Follett

" D.W. Freshfield

" Robert Kenward

" Edward Martin

" William Mitchell

" Thomas Osborne



The minutes of the meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> November last are read and confirmed.

### **S. Winkley Smith, deposit of wood, lighting of fire**

The Clerk reports that on the 19<sup>th</sup> November last he wrote to Mr. S. Winkley Smith as directed at the last Meeting, but received no acknowledgement. Ranger Brown reports that Mr. Smith has reduced his wood pile to the required dimensions and he gathered from what he stated that he will not light a fire on Forest land again.

### **Crowborough Cricket Club License**

The Clerk also wrote to the Crowborough Cricket Club with particulars of the license which at the last Meeting the Board stated they were prepared to grant the correspondent has written stating that the Committee are ascertaining what sum can be collected to meet the expense before deciding to accept the offer.

### **Rate**

The Clerk reports that the Rate made at the last Meeting was approved by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries on the 14<sup>th</sup> ulto. and is being collected.

### **Miss Yolland License**

Also that the License authorised at the last Meeting to be granted to Miss Yolland has been completed.

### **Finance**

The Clerk produces the Bank Books which show that the balances are as follows:-

General Account	£ 82: 5: 5
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger Account	24: 3: 2
Protection and Improvement Fund	161:18:3

### **Conservators' election of**

The Clerk reads the following certificate and It is Resolved that it be entered on the Minutes, viz:-

To Mr. W.A. Raper,

Clerk to the Conservators of Ashdown Forest

As Chairman of the Meeting of Commoners duly convened and held this day at the Nutley Inn, Nutley for the purposed of electing three Conservators in the place of the three Conservators who retire from office by rotation on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December instant, and of Lieutenant Colonel Douglas Loftus who resigns I hereby intimate to you that at the said Meeting Mr. William Mitchell, Colonel Charles Needham and Mr. William Webb Spencer Follett were re-elected Conservators for the ensuing three years and Captain Tufton Percy Hamilton Beamish C.B.R.N. was elected a Conservator in the place of Lieutenant Colonel Douglas Loftus for the ensuing three years.

Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December 1923.

G.M. Maryon – Wilson

Chairman

### **Dodds Bottom footpath – Protection and Improvement Fund**

A letter is read from Mr. W. Tyler pointing out the bad condition of the footpath from the main road to Dodds Bottom which is dangerous for children going to school and adults in the dark, and stating that if material is provided local residents would do the work. It is Resolved that the matter be referred to the Maresfield Committee with power to provide materials and expend a sum not exceeding £ 7 to be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Ringmer Building works – license to deposit**

The Clerk reports that the Ringmer Building Works having deposited materials on Forest land in front of "the Croft" at Fairwarp for carrying out certain building works there, he investigated the matter and granted a license to run for 6 months on the \*\*ulders signing an undertaking to properly restore the surface and depositing £ 10 as security for compliance.

### **W.V. Pollard, license to cut up wood**

He also with the approval of the Chairman of the Forest Row Committee granted Mr. W.V. Pollard permission to cut up some wood on the Forest near the Goat within 6 weeks on condition he restored the surface and lit no fire on the Forest and Mr. Pollard paid an acknowledgment of 5/- including the stamp on his undertaking.

It is Resolved that the action of the Clerk in these two cases be confirmed.

### **East Sussex county Council- application to take road materials**

The East Sussex County Council having applied for the consent of the Board to their taking from the Forest, for the repair of their roads, during the year ending 25<sup>th</sup> March 1925, the same quantity of gravel etc. and from the same places as in the past four years, it is resolved that consent be granted subject to the same conditions as in past years

### **Refuse, notice boards**

The Committee appointed to arrange for the erection of notice boards prohibiting the deposit of refuse report that they have arranged for the erection of 14 notice boards, with some slight variation in the position of some of them and have accepted the tender of Messrs. H & E. Waters of Forest Row to provide and deliver the boards and poles at the spots required for 28/- each. It is Resolved that the action of the Committee be approved and confirmed and that the Committee be authorised to provide assistance for the erection of the boards in case the Rangers are unable to do so alone.

### **Forest Row Committee Report Godley, direction post**

It is arranged that the Committee shall arrange with The Honourable H. Godley the position in which his direction post is to be erected.

### **Audit Committee**

The Committee appointed at the last Meeting to audit the accounts for the current year present the following report which is read and It is Resolved that it be entered on the minutes, viz:-

To The Conservators of Ashdown Forest

Your Audit Committee have today examined (1) The General Account (2) The Second Ranger Account and (3) The Account of the Protection and Improvement Fund, each for the year 1923. We have checked the balances brought forward from last year and the various receipts and have compared the payments charged to each Account with the Vouchers for same and have checked the casting of the Accounts and find them all correct. The Clerk has printed out that by a mistake on his part the two last cheques drawn for Ranger Brown for 21 weeks to the 12<sup>th</sup> November last were drawn in error for 35/- per week salary instead of 30/-. This error will be corrected in the cheque to be drawn in his favour today.

### **Cheques**

We recommend that the following cheques be drawn to close the accounts for the year, viz:-

#### Account No.1 General

The Clerk, ½ year's Salary to 31 <sup>st</sup> inst.	£ 75: 0: 0	
Disbursements during year	<u>30:13:10</u>	
		£ 105:13:10

Kirby, Herbert, 7 weeks salary as Ranger		
@ £ 2 to 31 <sup>st</sup> inst.	14: 0: 0	
7 weeks' rent of cottage to		
25 <sup>th</sup> inst. @ 5/- per week	1:15: 0	
7 weeks Employers insurances @ 1/3	<u>8:9</u>	
		16: 3: 9

#### Account No. 2 Second Ranger

Brown, William, 7 week's Salary @ 30/-		
to 31 <sup>st</sup> inst.	10:10: 0	
7 weeks Employer's insurances @ 1/3	<u>8: 9</u>	
	10:18: 9	
Less overpaid in error	<u>5: 5: 0</u>	
		5:13: 9

The Clerk, disbursements during the year	4:17: 5
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The new Rate is coming in satisfactorily and there is today standing to the credit of the General Account £ 82: 5: 5 which will be increased before the end of the year to meet the cheques to be drawn on that account.

A balance of £ 5:14: 5 is due to the Clerk from the Protection and Improvement Fund for bills paid since the last Meeting.

The balances standing to the credit of the other accounts after the above cheques have been paid will be as follows

The Second Ranger Account	13:12: 0
Protection and Improvement Fund	156: 3:10

The Sum of £ 159:14: 4 Consols and the sum of £ 150. 5% war stock 1929 – 47 represent the investments held on Account of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

Subject to some further information as to the last mentioned account we found the accounts well kept and correct.

Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December 1923

Wm. W.S. Follett

Robert Kenward

### **Cheques**

It is Resolved that the report be approved, that the accounts be signed by the Chairman of the Board and that cheques be drawn as recommended by the Committee and that the thanks of the Board be accorded to the Committee for their valuable services.

### **Rangers as Lords Reeves**

It is Resolved that the Rangers be authorised to continue to act as Reeves of the Lord of the Manor for the coming year.

### **Telephone line to Water Farm**

Mr. Martin reports that the Post Office are now laying the telephone line to Water Farm entirely underground and by a more direct line which he suggested than was originally contemplated. It is Resolved that the Clerk see that the amended route is properly indicated in the plan attached to the Board's consent.

### **Chairman, thanks to**

It is Resolved that the Board do tender to the Chairman their sincere thanks for the invaluable services he has rendered as Chairman during the past year and sincerely hope he will see his way to continue his services such in the coming year.

The Chairman thanks the Board for their kind expressions and promises while not committing himself to see whether it will be possible for him to take on the duties of Chairman for another year.

### **Adjournment**

It is resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> February next at 2.30 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The meeting terminated at 12.30 p.m.

Sd/-  
Chairman

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**A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday, the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1924 at 2.30 p.m.**

### Present

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson in the chair

Captain C. Needham

Captain T.P.H. Beamish C.B.R.N.

Mr. James Card

" Robert Kenward

" Edward Martin

" William Mitchell

" William Osborne

Mr. Robert Kenward is voted into the Chair.

A letter is read from Sir Stanley Colville stating that an important prior engagement prevents his attending. Also a letter from Mr. Follett explaining his absence owing to an attack of Sciatica.

### **Election of Chairman**

On the motion of Mr. Robert Kenward seconded by Colonel Needham, Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson is unanimously elected Chairman of the Board for the current year. Mr. Maryon – Wilson having taken the Chair thanks the Board for re-electing him as their Chairman for the 24<sup>th</sup> year and states in view of his other duties he cannot guarantee that he can continue to serve another year if the Board should wish to re-elect him.

The following Committees are then appointed:-

### **Forest Row Committee appointed**

The Forest Row District Committee – Mr. Freshfield, Sir Stanley Colville, Mr. Edward Martin and Colonel Needham.

### **Maresfield Committee appointed**

The Maresfield District Committee – Mr. Follett, Sir Francis, Mr. Champneys, Mr. Kenward, Captain Beamish and Mr. Osborne.

### **Fire Committee appointed**

The Fire Committee – The Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of each District Committee. The Minutes of the last meeting are read and confirmed.

### **S. Winkley Smith, lighting of fire**

Mr. Martin reports that Mr. Winkley Smith has now applied for consent to burn rubbish but no action is taken.

### **Telephone line to Water Farm**

Mr. Martin reports that the underground line to Water Farm has been completed and the poles originally used removed.

The Forest Row Committee present the following report which is read and it is resolved that it be entered on the minutes:-

The Forest Row Committee met on 20<sup>th</sup> March 1924. Present Colonel Needham (in the Chair), Admiral Sir S.C. Colville and Mr. Edward Martin.

Ranger Brown reported that a Bye-Law Board and post on North side of road leading to West Hoathly near Cross Roads, were badly burnt by a Forest Fire on 12<sup>th</sup> March. It was resolved that Messrs. H & E. Waters be instructed to tender for supply of a new board and post and if approved by Mr. Martin to be placed in position.

Ranger Brown also reported that at a fire on North side of Kidd's Hill, opposite New Lodge, on 18<sup>th</sup> March, Tullett the extra Ranger asked 3 men in the neighbourhood to help him to put it out, which they did thus preventing a much larger fire. It was resolved to recommend the Board to allow the 3 men to be paid 1/- each, also that 4/- be paid to Ranger Brown's 2 sons for helping to put out 2 fires on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of March. It was resolved, in consequence of the numerous fires of late on the Forest, that the Clerk be instructed to write to the Superintendent of Police at East Grinstead, asking him to direct his policemen to give every possible assistance in case of Forest fires and if possible to give notice of the fires to the Forest Rangers.

The Committee suggest to the Board that they offer a reward, of say £ 5, to any one giving information, which should lead to a conviction of the offender.

Mr. Martin reported that by the authority of the Chairman, he had engaged an extra Ranger for the Forest Row District for one month, on the usual terms. The duty was taken up by Tullett on the 17<sup>th</sup> of March.

The Committee reported that Mr. Winkley Smith had again lighted fires on the Forest to burn rubbish etc., in front of his house, after having been warned not to do so.

The Committee reported that the repairs to the Bridge near Water Farm have not been carried out and suggest that Ranger Brown be instructed to have them carried out.

About 12.30 p.m. the Committee adjourned to the Golf Club to consider an application from the Club by letter of 26<sup>th</sup> February, 1924, to increase the present area of the motor Park by decreasing the area of the Island lying between the approach road to the Club House and the existing motor Park. The Committee recommended as follows:-

That if any extension to the present area of the motor stand be made, it should be effected by extending the present motor Road in a Northerly direction to the extent of 5 yards in length and of the same width as the present and on the same conditions as the present road is under.

The Committee considered that no decrease should be allowed of the area of the Island lying between the approach road to the Club House and the existing Motor Park.

### **Fires**

It is Resolved that such part of the Report as relates to Forest Fires be considered in committee.

It is further Resolved that the remainder of the Report be received and the recommendation approved and adopted provided the Golf Club enter into the necessary undertaking on similar terms to the Subsisting undertaking.

The Maresfield Committee present the following Report:-

March 19<sup>th</sup> 1924

The Maresfield Committee report that acting on the authority given to them at the last meeting they instructed Ranger Kirby to have the Path to Dodds Bottom repaired. They have since inspected it and are satisfied with what has been done and present the bills incurred for digging the stone and carting namely:- Mr. Penfold £ 2:10:0 and T. Scott £ 3:15:0.

Wm. W.S. Follett

### **Protection and Improvement Fund**

It is resolved that the acts and proceedings of the Committee as reported be and are hereby approved and confirmed and that payment of the accounts be made out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Harry Walters**

Ranger Kirby reports that Harry Walters is now sleeping in a stone pit on the Forest adjoining Fairwarp Vicarage. He has no caravan nor tent but keeps sundry articles in this pit. After hearing a report by the Clerk It is Resolved that no action be taken in the matter.

### **Mrs. Harry Vincent**

Ranger Kirby also reports that Mrs. Vincent had applied for consent to allow a caravan to remain on the Forest upon payment of a rent of 3/6 per week and that he had informed her that permission cannot be given.

### **Finances**

The Clerk produces the Bank Books which show that the balances standing to the credit of the several accounts are

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General Account	£ 143:14:10
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger Account	15:14: 0
Protection and Improvement Fund	187: 1:11

### **Cheques**

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:-

Kirby, Herbert, 12 weeks salary

@ £ 2 to 24 <sup>th</sup> inst.	24: 0: 0
12 weeks' rent of cottage to ditto	3: 0: 0
12 weeks Employers' liability insurance @ 1/3	<u>15: 0</u>

27:15: 0

Brown, William – 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger 12 week's

Salary @ 30/- to 24 <sup>th</sup> inst.	18: 0: 0
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Waters H. & E. On Protection and Improvement

Fund for 14 notice Boards re refuse @ 28/-

19:12: 0

Waterlow & Sons Ltd. For Letter Book

1: 7:11

### **Telephone to Tile Lodge**

An application from the Post Office for permission to lay an underground telephone line across Forest Land from Tile Lodge to the high road to New Bridge in read It is resolved that subject to the assent of the Lord of the Manor the Clerk grant the necessary assent on the usual terms.

### **Nutley Cricket Ground**

The Secretary of the Nutley Cricket Club having applied for permission to take turf for the repair of the cricket pitch It is resolved that consent be granted subject to the turf being taken from such spot as Ranger Kirby shall approve.

### **Ranger Brown's illness**

The Clerk reports that Ranger Brown was taken ill on the 4<sup>th</sup> February last with a bad attack of influenza and was laid up till the 11<sup>th</sup> inst. when he resumed his duties.

In view of the undersirability of the Board's arrangements for the protection against fires being made public, It is resolved that the Board now go into Committee and thereupon the Press

Representatives withdraw.

### **Fires**

It appears from the Rangers' reports that since the last meeting over 40 Forest Fires have occurred commencing Ranger Kirby's area on the 7<sup>th</sup> February and culminating on Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> inst. in a fire which burnt about 600 acres, while others occurred in Ranger Brown's area, the cause in all cases unknown.

### **Extra help during fire**

The Chairman reports that on receiving a report from Mr. Follett of numerous fires in his District he had telegraphed to him to arrange for extra assistance for Ranger Kirby and that Mr. Follett had asked Mr. Martin to arrange that similar assistance be given to the Forest Row Committee for 4 weeks from 17<sup>th</sup> March at a weekly wage of £ 2: 5: 0.

### **Protection and Improvement Fund**

Mr. Follett wrote that a bad attack of sciatica keeps him in bed but that on behalf of the Maresfield Committee he has arranged for the employment of ex P.C. Stevens to assist in regard to fires in the Maresfield area for the time authorised and to patrol Nutley and Fairwarp. It is Resolved that the Chairman's action be approved and that the employment of Peter Tullett to assist Ranger Brown and William Stevens to assist Ranger Kirby both from the 17<sup>th</sup> inst. at £ 2: 5: 0 per week each be approved, their salaries to be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund. The period of employment having been discussed. It is resolved that their services be retained for 6 weeks from the commencement and that the advisability of appointing two further men be referred to the Fire Committee with power to act.

### **Fire Committee**

Also that owing to the absence of the Chairman and Mr. Freshfield during the next few weeks Sir Stanley Colville and Captain Beamish be added to the Fire Committee.

### **Fires – Protection and Improvement Fund**

The recommendations of the Forest Row Committee relating to protection against fire were considered and It is Resolved that the total sum of 11/-expended by Ranger Brown

for assistance in extinguishing fires be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund and that it is inadvisable to offer a monetary reward of the character proposed. It is resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup> day of June next at 3.0.p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary. The meeting terminated at 4.30 p.m.

Chairman

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**A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday, the 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1924 at 3.0.p.m.**

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson in the chair  
Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley C.J. Colville K. C.B  
Sir Francis H. Champneys, Bart  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. W.W.S. Follett  
" D.W. Freshfield  
" Robert Kenward  
" Edward Martin  
" William Mitchell  
" Thomas Osborne

The minutes of the last meeting are read and confirmed.

**Finances**

The Clerk produces the Bank Books which show that the balances are as follows:-

General Account	£ 124:12:11
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger Account	11: 6
Protection and Improvement Fund	187: 6:11

The Clerk reports that the subscriptions to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger Fund have just become due.

**Fires**

The Clerk reports that since the last meeting the Rangers have reported 32 fires burning about 14 acres, the cause in each case being unknown.

The Fires Committee report that two men were employed as authorised to assist the Rangers in watching and extinguishing fires and it was found expedient to retain their services for an extra two weeks making 8 weeks in all at a total cost of £ 36 and <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> for insurance.

It is resolved that the action of the Committee be confirmed and that the thanks of the Board be conveyed to them for the great trouble they have taken in the matter.

**Fires Rangers damage to clothing**

Upon the application of the Rangers for compensation for damage to their clothing incurred in extinguishing fires it is resolved that £ 2 be paid to Ranger Kirby and 25/- to Ranger Brown.

**Protection and Improvement Fund**

It is also resolved that the above sums of £ 36: 3:4, £ 2 and 25/- be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

The Forest Row Committee present the following report which is read and it is resolved that it be entered on the minutes viz:-

12<sup>th</sup> June, 1924

The Committee met at Mr. Martin's at 11 a.m. Present:- The Chairman Admiral The Honble. Sir Stanley Colville, Colonel Needham, Mr. Martin

### **Scouts camping**

Admiral Colville reported that in the Chairman's absence abroad he had granted an application for camping on the Forest during Easter to a party of Senior Scouts under Mr. C. O'Connor on the usual terms.

### **Forest Survey**

Mr. Freshfield called attention to the inaccurate and inconsistent manner in which the various parts of Ashdown Forest were coloured and distinguished in the maps in course of preparation by Messrs. Wood and Walford of East Grinstead acting as local agents of the Forest Survey of England undertaken by His Majesty's Government. He had recommended the Firm to communicate with Mr. Raper.

### **R.A.F. Golf Club motor stand**

A letter from the Secretary of the Ashdown Forest Golf Club was read declining the offer of the Board for the enlargement of the Motor Park. The Committee decided to recommend the Golf Club to submit to the next meeting of the Board a plan to scale showing exactly the limits of the extension they desired and how they proposed the cars would stand.

### **Notice Boards re refuse**

Mr. Freshfield read letters from Mr. Follett and reported that at Mr. Follett's request he had authorised Brown to employ Waters to erect the posts and boards ordered by Mr. Follett.

Ranger Brown reported he had seen a man named Wheatley strike purposely and break one of the posts and that he had reported to the Clerk. The offender was to come before the Bench on the 16<sup>th</sup> inst.

### **Fires – future Policy**

There was some discussion as to the steps it might be desirable to take before the next fire season to rouse public opinion in the neighbourhood against local incendiaries by propaganda and it was resolved that members of the Committee should bring the matter before the next Board for consideration.

An application by Mrs. Whitfield for a post forbidding rubbish being thrown near her house at Highgate was reserved for further consideration.

### **Forest Row Recreation Grounds – Seats**

Mr. Martin brought forward the need for seats on the Cricket ground but the Committee considered it was not the business of the Board to provide them.

Douglas W. Freshfield

### **Official Survey of Commons**

It is resolved that the Clerk communicate with Messrs. Wood and Walford with a view to ensuring that the official boundaries of the Forest be accurately defined in the Survey.

### **R.A.F. Golf Club stand for Motors**

The Clerk produces an amended application received from the R.A.F. Golf Club with plan for the enlargement of the area of the Motor stand received since the above report of the Forest Row Committee and after consideration it is resolved that it be referred to the Forest Row Committee with power to act and that the Clerk do what is necessary to give effect to their decision.

### **Sydney Wheatley convicted for damaging notice**

The Clerk reports that Sydney Wheatley was convicted at the Petty Sessions at East Grinstead on the 16<sup>th</sup> instant of a breach of Bye Law 13 A for damaging one of the Conservators' Notice Boards and was fined £ 1 with £ 1:1:0 costs.

### **Additional notice board, re refuse new Bye Law Board etc.**

It is resolved that the Forest Row Committee be authorised to order and have fixed a notice board prohibiting deposit of refuse on the Forest at Highbeech and a new Bye Law Board near the Goat and to do any necessary repairs to other Bye Law Boards in their District the cost thereof to be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Barrier against gipsies at Pound Gate – Protection and Improvement Fund**

The Maresfield Committee report that gipsies having recommenced camping near Pound Gate School owing to the destruction of the barrier constructed along the roadside some years ago, they caused a new posts iron bar and



padlock to be put up at a cost of £ 1:10:10½ towards which Mr. G.T. Langridge contributed £ 1. It is resolved that this Board confirm the thanks conveyed to him by the Clerk for his contribution and that the balance of 10/10½ be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

#### **Forest Row Recreation Ground, contribution towards seats**

On the application of Mr. Edward Martin it is resolved that the sum of Two pounds be contributed towards the cost of providing seats on the Forest Row Recreation Ground when provided, to be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

#### **Miss Guggenheim, road to Brick Kiln Farm**

An application made by Mr. Leslie S. Wood on behalf of Miss Guggenheim for permission to construct metal and maintain a road way from Brick Kiln Farm to the highroad from Coleman's Hatch to Wych Cross, in place of the present rough cart track and in the position shown on a plan which he submitted. After due consideration it is resolved that a revocable license be granted for the purpose, subject to the usual terms and conditions, the width of the road and watertable not to exceed 14 feet, on Miss Guggenheim undertaking to pay a yearly acknowledgement of £ 5:5:0, half to the Lord and half to the Conservancy, during the continuance of the license in force and the proper charges of the Clerk for preparing and completing the license.

#### **Temporary Military telephone line**

A letter is read dated 2<sup>nd</sup> inst. from the Officer Commanding Signals Training Battalion at Maresfield Park for permission to continue a little longer the telephone line between that camp and the Crowborough Camp as it is found so useful in training the men. It is resolved that permission be granted on the officer in command giving an undertaking to remove the line when required by the Board.

#### **Ministry of Health Annual return**

The Clerk lays on the table a copy of the return made to the Ministry of Health for the year 1923.

#### **H. & E. Waters**

The Clerk reports that he has granted Messrs. H & E. Waters permission to deposit building materials temporarily on the Forest outside Shepherds well and the links Cottage during the execution of repairs on the usual terms and on payment to the Protection and Improvement Fund of 10/- in each case. Ranger Brown reports that the works have been completed and the surfaces properly restored.

#### **Sir W.H. Cowan, Deposit**

Also that he granted permission to W. Godley of Jarvis Brook to deposit building materials for a few days on the Forest adjoining Crows Nest pending the carrying out of repairs for Sir Henry Cowan.

#### **W.F. Bowone Deposit**

An application made by Mr. W.F. Bowone of Caterham for permission to deposit building materials on the Forest adjoining a plot of land near Nutley that he has purchased a cottage thereon, is considered. It is resolved that consent be granted on payment of 10/- to the Protection and Improvement Fund and deposit of £ 9: 10: 0 as security for reinstating the surface.

#### **Pippingford Park, Application To Gather Moss**

An application from the Bailiff of Mr. H. Morris of Pippingford Park for permission to gather a lot of sphagnum moss on the Forest and convey it in bags to Pippingford Farm is considered. The Clerk points out that the moss is the property of the Lord and that it serves a useful purpose in retaining moisture. It is resolved with the concurrence of Mr. Follett on behalf of the Lord, that the Bailiff be informed that the removal of sphagnum moss from the Forest cannot be permitted.

#### **Licenses Granted During The Year**

The Clerk lays on the table the return by each Ranger of the licenses granted by him during the year ending Ladyday last.

#### **Fires, Measures To Be Taken In future For The Prevention**

Sir Francis Champneys then leaves the Meeting. Sir Stanley Colville moves that the Board do take into consideration the subject of dealing with Fires in the future, and expresses the opinion that the fullest publicity should in future be given to all measures taken by the Board for the prevention and extinguishing of fires.

He also suggests that Commoners might be afforded the opportunity of pointing out areas that they consider should be burnt, and that the Board should decide whether and by whom such areas should be burnt.

Mr. Kenward expresses the opinion that all burning if any should be done by the Board.

The Clerk reminds the Board that to even the undergrowth would require the sanction of the Lord.

Mr. Freshfield suggests that the people of the neighbourhood should be educated by lectures etc and by enlisting the co-operation of the local Clergy and School Teachers.

### **Fire Committee \*\*\***

Ultimately it is resolved that Sir. Stanley Colville and Captain Beamish be appointed members of the Fire Committee for the current year.

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And that the Fire Committee be requested to go thoroughly into the subject, and to present to the Board, before the end of the year, a report thereon with such recommendations as they think proper.

### **Cheques**

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

Kirby Herbert:

14 weeks salary @ £ 2 to 30 <sup>th</sup> inst. :	£ 28: 0: 0
14 weeks house rent to ditto :	3: 10: 0
Ditto Employers Insurance @ 1/3 :	<u>17: 6</u>
	£ 32: 7: 6

Brown William:

14 weeks salary @ £ 30 to 30 <sup>th</sup> inst.:	21: 0: 0
14 weeks Employers Insurance @ 1/3:	<u>17: 6</u>
	£ 21: 17: 6

The Clerk:

A half year's salary to the 30<sup>th</sup> inst.: £ 75: 0: 0.

It is resolved that the next Meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> day of August next at 3.0 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The Meeting terminated at 4. 35 p.m.

Chairman

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**A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 1924, at 3.0 p.m.**

### Present

Mr. Geo. M. Maryon – Wilson in the Chair  
Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley C.J. Colville H.C.B.  
Colonel Needham  
Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart  
Capt. T.P.H. Beamish, C.B., R.N., M.P.  
Mr. James Card  
„ W.W.S. Follett  
„ D.W. Freshfield  
„ Robert Kenward  
„ Edward Martin

- „ William Mitchell
- „ Thomas Osborne

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed.

### **Finance**

The Clerk produces the Bank Books which show that the balances are as follows:

General Account : £ 70: 16: 11  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger Account (overdrawn): 16: 1: 0  
 Protection & Improvement Fund: 136: 10: 0

### **Forest Row Committee Report**

The Forest Row Committee presents the following report which is read and it is resolved that it be entered on the Minutes:

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**The Forest Row Committee met at Mr. Martins at 11 a.m. Present the Chairman Admiral The Honble Sir S. Colville and Mr. Martin. Colonel Needham apologized for his inability to attend.**

### **Camping**

Two applications to camp on the Forest were granted. The Ranger reported there were fewer than usual this summer.

### **Bye Law Post At Goat**

The Chairman reported he had seen Mr. H. Waters as to the re-erection of the Byelaw post at the Goat and the Committee agreed to accept Mr. Water's estimate viz, £ 3: 10: 6.

### **Military Manoeuvres**

A letter was read from the local Army Agent to the Clerk asking the Board's consent to manoeuvres being held on the Forest between August 23<sup>rd</sup> and September 16<sup>th</sup> under the conditions therein stated and the Chairman reported that at the request of the Chairman of the Board he had accepted the responsibility of consenting on behalf of the Committee to the proposal, which mainly affected the Maresfield District.

### **Legsheath Farm Ltd Waterpipe**

The Committee considered an application from the East Grinstead Gas and Water Coy. Ltd to lay a 2 inch pipe from a point in Kidbrooke Lane opposite the Tylehurst Stable Gate through the Forest to the boundary of the Legsheath Farm property for the purpose of providing it with a water supply. They recommend that the application be granted.

### **R.A.F. Golf Club Motor Stand**

The Committee had before them an application from the R.A.F. Golf Club to extend the garage area outside the Club's enclosure on the Forest, of which a plan was furnished. They resolved to inform the Secretary of the Golf Club that before the matter comes before the Board for final decision on the 27<sup>th</sup> inst. they think it desirable he should supply information in the form of figures and dates showing as far as possible how often in the proceeding twelve months and to what extent the cars parked at the Golf House have been in excess of the parking room.

The Committee took note of a letter from Mr. Faber calling attention to the proposed increase in the garage area and suggesting it should only be granted if shown to be frequently called for.

### **Shalesbrook Pollution Of**

The Committee also took note of a letter from Mr. Bond complaining of the pollution of the Shalesbrook by the filtration of drainage from the garage area. They asked the Chairman to call the attention of the Secretary of the Golf Club to the matter and to request the Golf Club to take steps to put a stop to the leakage.

### **R.A.F. Golf Club Motor Stand**

The Hon. Hugh Godley and Major H.P. Ward (Secretary) representing the Royal Ashdown Forest Golf Club attend before the Board and state the area originally granted by the Board for a stand for motor cars is inadequate and the

Committee of the Club regard the extra space asked for as of vital importance to the maintenance of the increased popularity of the Club, and that the Trustees are prepared to pay some acknowledgement if the Board will grant the application.

### **Shalesbrook Alleged Pollution**

Being questioned with regard to a complaint made by Major Bond that the Shalesbrook is polluted by oil washed down from the motor stand, Mr. Godley states that it is quite impossible for the Shalesbrook to be so polluted owing to its distance from the motor stand and the method of discharging oil which he contends is filtered before reaching the Shalesbrook.

### **R.A.F. Golf Club Extension Of Motor Stand**

The Club representatives having withdrawn \*\*\*\*\*. It is proposed by Mr. Freshfield and seconded by Admiral Sir Stanley Colville that a revocable license be granted to use the enlarged area as per plan on the same terms as heretofore subject to the payment of annual acknowledgement of £ 1: 1: 0 each to the Lord and the Board of Conservators, and to payment of the Clerk's proper charges for preparing and completing the License and Counterpart the works to be carried out to the satisfaction of the Forest Row Committee.

Sir Francis Champneys moves and Mr. Follett seconds an amendment that the annual acknowledgements be £ 2: 10: 0 each instead of £ 1: 1: 0. The amendment being put two vote for and nine against it and is declared lost.

The original motion is then put and carried.

### **Major Bond, Complaint Of Pollution Of Shalesbrook**

The Board then consider the complaint from Major Bond as to the pollution of the Shalesbrook and it is resolved that he be informed that the Board require further evidence in support of his complaint before they can take any action.

### **Leggs Heath Farm Limited, Waterpipe**

The Clerk produces a plan showing the position in which it is desired to lay a two inch water pipe under Forest land from the Southern end of Kidbrooke Lane to Leggs Hatch Farm and a letter from Messrs. Whitley Hughes & Luscombe, the Solicitors to the applicant, stating that the application is not for the purpose of developing the property for a building estate, but to supply the present property with the possible addition of one small dwelling house.

It is resolved Mr. Follett assenting on behalf of the Lord that a revocable license in the usual form be granted to the Leggs Heath Farm Ltd. to lay and maintain a two inch water pipe in the position indicated on the plan for the purpose only of the limited supply indicated subject to the payment of yearly acknowledgements of £ 1: 1: 0 each to the Lord and Conservators and to payment of the Clerk's proper charges for preparing and completing the license and a counterpart thereof. Subject to the foregoing it is resolved that the acts proceedings and recommendations of the Forest Row Committee as set out in their report be approved and confirmed.

### **Military Manoeuvres**

The Clerk reports that on 29<sup>th</sup> July last he received from the War Office an urgent application for permission to train 2,000 or 3,000 troops on the Forest from the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst to the 16<sup>th</sup> September next undertaking not to dig trenches etc and not to manoeuvre over the golf links and to take all precautions against fire, and beat out any that might occur in the vicinity. After communicating with the Chairman of the Board, the Chairman of the District Committees and Mr. Follett representing the Lord, the Clerk granted the permission applied for.

It is resolved that the action of the Clerk be confirmed.

### **Military Excavations**

Ranger Kirby having reported early in July last that the Royal Engineers from Crowborough Camp were digging trenches and constructing dugouts on the Forest, the Clerk reports that he wrote to the Commanding Officer pointing out that no authority had been granted for the purpose and that the excavations constituted a serious danger to the cattle of the Commoners. The Commanding Officer stated that he was acting under an order issued by Head Quarters. After some correspondence the work ceased and the excavations were filled up.

### **Forest Row Recreation Ground, Donation To Seats – Protection & Improvement Fund**

The Clerk reports that the seats on the Forest Row Recreation Ground having been erected he has paid Mr. Martin the promised contribution of £ 2 out of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

### **Miss Guggenheim License**

Also that the license to Miss Guggenheim in respect the roadway from Brick Kiln Farm has been completed.

### **P.O. Underground Telephone Line Forest Row To Nutley**

The Clerk reports that a consent had been granted to the Post Office Authorities to lay an underground telephone line under the main road from Forest Row to Nutley. Also that he granted a license to Mr. Chas. Elcock of

### **Chas. Elcock, License To Deposit Building Materials – Protection & Improvement Fund**

Hartfield for a temporary deposit of building materials on Forest land in connection with the erection of a house near Mrs. Walsham's at Forest Row on his depositing £ 5 as security for restoration of the surface and contributing 10/- to the Protection & Improvement Fund.

It is resolved that it be an instruction to the Clerk to require in future a deposit of £ 10 in all cases in which licenses are granted to deposit building materials on Forest land.

### **Automobile Club, As To Cattle On Roads On Forest**

The Clerk reads a letter from the Automobile Association stating that an accident recently occurred to one of their members in avoiding cows unattended on the Forest Row to Wych Cross Road and expressing the hope that the Board may be able to arrange some remedial measures, and he reads the reply he sent to the Secretary.

### **Bye Law Boards - Repair**

Ranger Brown reports that the Bye Law Boards in his District are cracking and recommends that they be faced with zinc plates.

### **Protection & Improvement Fund**

It is resolved that 6 zinc plates be obtained and fixed to the satisfaction of the Forest Row Committee and that the cost be paid out of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

### **Forest Row Camp – Clearing Up**

Ranger Brown presents an account for £ 2: 14: 1 for cutting thistles in and around the Forest Row Camp.

### **Protection & Improvement Fund**

It is resolved that the same be paid out of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

### **Mr. Foxbowine – Drainage**

Mr. Follett reports that Mr. Foxbowine of Dodds Bottom is discharging the overflow from his cesspool into an adjacent stream. It is resolved that the Clerk do write to the Uckfield Rural District Council calling their attention to the matter.

### **Cheques**

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

Herbert Kirby

9 weeks salary at £ 2 to 1<sup>st</sup> prox: £ 18: 0: 0

9 weeks house rent to do : 2: 5: 0

Do Employers insurance @ 1/3: 11: 3

£ 20: 16: 3

William Brown

9 weeks salary @ 30/- to 1<sup>st</sup> prox. £ 13: 10: 0

It is resolved that the next Meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup> day of October next at 3.0 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The Meeting terminated at 4.40 p.m.

**The Annual Meeting of the Commoners interested in Ashdown Forest duly convened by the Clerk by notice on the principal door of the Church of each of the Parishes and Ecclesiastical Districts into which the Forest extends, by advertisements in two newspapers circulating in the neighbourhood, to wit, “The Sussex Express” & “The Sussex Daily News at least fourteen days before this date and by notice sent by post to each Commoner, and held at the Nutley Inn at Nutley, on Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 1924 at eleven o’ clock of the forenoon.**

Present

Mr. Geo. M. Maryon – Wilson in the Chair  
Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley C.J. Colville K.C.B.  
Colonel Needham  
The Reverend J.S. Phillips, M.A.  
Mr. James Card  
„ Alfred Faber  
„ W.W.S. Follett  
„ D.W. Freshfield  
„ Robert Kenward  
„ Edward Martin  
„ William Mitchell  
Mr. Thomas Osborne  
„ John Rowe  
„ H. Waters

**Chairman**

On the proposition of Mr. Edward Martin seconded by Mr. Robert Kenward, Mr. Maryon –Wilson is chosen Chairman and he having taken the Chair the Clerk reads the notice convening the Meeting and reports the due publication and notice thereof as above mentioned.

The Minutes of the last Meeting of Commoners are then read and confirmed.

**Election of Conservators**

The Clerk reports that the Conservators who retire by rotation on the 31<sup>st</sup> instant are Mr. Douglas William Freshfield, Mr. Edward Martin, Sir Francis M. Champneys Bart and Mr. Thomas Osborne.

**Captain Beamish Resignation**

The Chairman states that since the notices convening this Meeting were issued he has received a letter from Captain Beamish M.P. stating that in consequence of his election to Parliament and the heavy work that it involves he is reluctantly compelled to resign the office of a Conservator in consequence of which it will be necessary to elect a fifth Conservator to take his place.

The Chairman then invites nominations to fill the vacancies occasioned by the retirement by rotation of the four Conservators.

It is proposed by C.J. Colville seconded by Mr. Kenward that Mr. Douglas William Freshfield be re-elected a Conservator.

It is proposed by Mr. James Card and seconded by Mr. Follett that Mr. Edward Martin be re-elected a Conservator.

It is proposed by Mr. Edward Martin seconded by Mr. Thomas Osborne that Sir Francis M. Champneys be re-elected a Conservator.

It is proposed by Mr. Mitchell seconded by Mr. Follett that Mr. Thomas Osborne be re-elected a Conservator.

No other Commoner having been proposed to fill the first mentioned four vacancies the Chairman declares the above four gentlemen duly elected Conservators for the insuing three years ending the 31<sup>st</sup> December, 1927.

The Chairman then invites nominations to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Captain Beamish.

It is proposed by Mr. Follett and seconded by Mr. Osborne that Mr. Frederick G. J. Eckstein of Old Lands Fairwarp be elected a Conservator in the place of Captain Beamish.

No other Commoner being proposed to fill this vacancy the Chairman declares Mr. Eckstein duly elected a Conservator for the ensuing two years.

### **Repair of Lanes At Nutley**

The Reverend J.S. Phillips enquires who is responsible for the repair of certain lanes leading from Nutley Village into the Forest. The Chairman states that the lanes referred to are not main roads or Rural District Council Roads and that no authority is responsible for their repair.

Mr. Nelson Stevenson of Minepits (a non- Commoner) applies for permission to repair (1) a portion of the lane or track leading from Nutley Street to the Windmill (2) the way into his Cottage therefrom (3) a portion of the lane or track above his Cottage, and to make out the ditches thereof and cut necessary grips for drainage.

The Chairman undertakes to bring his application before the Board of Conservators.

On the motion of Mr. Kenward a hearty vote of thanks is accorded to the Chairman for his able conduct of the Meeting.

Chairman

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**A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1924, at 11.45 a.m.**

### Present

Mr. Geo. M. Maryon – Wilson in the Chair

Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley C.J. Colville K.C.B.

Colonel Charles Needham

Mr. James Card

„ W.W.S. Follett

„ D.W. Freshfield

„ R. Kenward

„ E.Martin

„ W. Mitchell

„ Thos. Osborne

The Chairman explains that as the General Election took place on the day originally fixed for this Meeting, October 29<sup>th</sup>, and as there was scarcely any business to transact on the later date in November to which it was postponed he exercised the discretion conferred on him by adjourning the Meeting to this date.

### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed.

### **Election Of Conservators**

The Clerk produces the following Certificate from the Chairman of the Commoners' Meeting held this morning which is read and it is resolved that it be entered on the Minutes viz;

To Mr. W.A. Raper,

Clerk to The Conservators of Ashdown Forest

As Chairman of the Meeting of Commoners duly convened and held this day at the Nutley Inn, Nutley, for the purpose of electing four Conservators in the place of those who retire from Office by rotation on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December instant, I hereby intimate to you that at the said Meeting Mr. Douglas William Freshfield, Mr. Edward Martin, Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart and Mr. Thomas Osborne were re-elected Conservators in the ensuing three years \*\*\*\*\* was elected a Conservator in the place of the said Captain Percy Hamilton Beamish for the ensuing two years.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December 1927

G.M. Maryon – Wilson

Chairman

### **Forest Row Committee's Report**

The Forest Row Committee present the following Report which is read and it is resolved that it be entered on the Minutes, viz

December 12<sup>th</sup> 1924

Present The Chairman Mr. D. Freshfield, Admiral The Honourable Sir Stanley Colville, Colonel Needham apologized for being prevented by the fog.

### **Gipsy's Vans Without Owners' Names**

The Chairman reported that the Ranger complained that owing to the failure of the Police to enforce the law as to the owner's name being painted on or attached to gipsy vans he had great difficulty in getting summons against those who frequented the Forest.

It was resolved to recommend that the Boards should instruct the Clerk to communicate with the Chief Constable on the subject.

### **Cutting Holly**

The Chairman reported that two Craydon men had been stopped by the Police at West Hoathly Station on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November and a large quantity of holly and other stuff seized. The Ranger and W.H. Police Constable subsequently found the holly trees on the Forest which had been cut and fitted a number of the pieces seized to their stumps.

The Case came before the Bench at East Grinstead on the 1<sup>st</sup> inst. but neither of the men who had been summoned appeared. Warrants were issued, but the men had not yet been arrested.

### **Miss Guggenheim New Road**

It was reported that the authorized road to Miss Guggenheim's new house across the Forest from below High Hollies had been completed. The Ranger was instructed to order the \*\*\*\* to make good the surface of the Forest where it had been cut up by carts during the operations.

### **Bridge Near Post Horn Lane**

The Bridge over the stream at the Forest end of Post Horn Lane was reported to be in need of repair. An estimate by Messrs H. Waters for doing the work at a cost of £ 2: 10: 0 was submitted and the Committee recommend its acceptance.

### **Ladies Golf Club, Proposed Alterations To Links**

A letter from the Secretary of the Ladies Golf Club was brought forward and considered and the Committee recommended the Board to inform the Ladies' Golf Club in reply:

- (1) That the Clerk be instructed to inform the Club that neither the Royal Ashdown Forest Club nor the Ladies' Club have power to alter their tees without the previous consent of the Board.
- (2) That the Board consent to the proposed abolition of the first tee and to the making of a new hole after the fourth.
- (3) That they further consent to the 6<sup>th</sup> Green being moved about 40 yards to the left of its present position.

### **Notice Board Replaced**

It was reported that the Notice Boards as to cutting hollies or otherwise defacing the Forest which had been damaged had been replaced.

Douglas W. Freshfield

It is resolved that the acts proceedings and recommendations of the Committee as set out in the Report be approved confirmed and acted upon.



### **Extension Of Public Sewer At Tompsetts Bank**

The Clerk reports that on 26<sup>th</sup> October last he received notice from the Rural District Council of East Grinstead of their intention to extend the public sewer from the South end of Post Horn Lane under Forest land to the Clock of Cottages now known as Golf View Cottages (on Ord. No. 525) in accordance with a plan attached to the notice which he produces. As the Authority are exercising statutory powers the Clerk requested that the Council will sink the lids of any manholes or inspection chambers below the surface, and the Council has undertaken to sink them about six inches below the surface and cover them with a block of stone or concrete.

### **License For Water Pipe To Leggs Heath Farm**

The Clerk reports that the draft of this License has been agreed with the Licensee's Solicitors and will be completed in a few days.

### **Thos. Potter & Benj. Waite Pros For Cutting Holly Etc**

The Clerk reports that men whose names were reported to be Thomas Potter and Benjamin Waite both of West Craydon were traced as having cut hollies and other wood in Mr. Freshfield's Hindleap Warren and also on the Forest at Cold Harbour. Summonses were taken out against both men returnable at the East Grinstead Bench on the 1<sup>st</sup> inst. Potter was served but failed to appear and a warrant was issued for his apprehension. The Police report that up to the present time they have been unable to arrest Potter or to trace Waite.

### **Woodlands, Forest Gate, Repair Of**

Ranger Kirby reports that on the 19<sup>th</sup> November last he found the Forest Gate at Woodlands which was repaired in October had been broken asunder and the head post gone. From inquiries made, he believes the damage was done by a horse of an Officer at Maresfield Camp running away trying to jump the gate and falling on the top of it.

The Chairman of the Maresfield Committee reports that he has obtained from Mr. E.J. Gillham of Nutley an estimate for repairing same amounting to £ 3: 18: 0 and £ 1: 8: 0. It is resolved that the Committee be authorized to effect the repair the cost to be paid out of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

### **Mr. J. Bradford Jarvis – Appln To Repair Track**

Mr. J. Bradford Jarvis of The Beacon Duddleswell attends and applies for permission to repair a forest road from the cross tracks near the South West corner of the Duddleswell Cricket Ground to his property nod. 668 on the Ordnance Map. It is resolved that a revocable license be granted to him on the usual conditions to repair and maintain the track not exceeding altogether 10 feet in width on condition that he pays an acknowledgement of £ 1: 1: 0 per annum half to the Lord and half to the Board and the proper charges of the Clerk for preparing the License.

### **Maresfield Park Estate Sold**

The Clerk reports that the Maresfield Park Estate has been broken up and sold in something like 100 Lots which will involve about 90 separate assessments to the Forest Rate instead of one.

### **Road Materials East Sussex – County Council Appln To Take**

The East Sussex County Council having applied for the consent of the Board to their taking from the Forest for repair of \*\*\*\* roads during the year ending 25<sup>th</sup> March 1926, the same quantity of stone and gravel and from the same localities as for several years last past. It is resolved that consent be granted subject to the same conditions as in past years.

### **Ranger Kirby, Bicycle Repairs**

Ranger Kirby having reported that the bicycle he uses required considerable repairs. It is resolved that the Chairman be requested to deal with the matter.

### **Rangers As Lord's Reeves**

It is resolved that the Rangers be authorized to continue the Act as the Reeves of the Lord of the Manor for the coming year.

### **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee present the following report of their Audit of Accounts for the current year and it is resolved that it be entered on the Minutes viz,

To The Conservators of Ashdown Forest

Your Audit Committee have today examined (1) The General Account (2) The Second Ranger Account and (3) The Account of the Protection and Improvement Fund, each for the year 1925. We have checked the balances brought forward from last year, and the various receipts, and have compared the payments charged to each Account with the Vouchers for same, and have checked the casting of the Accounts and find them all correct. We recommend that the following cheques be drawn to close the accounts for the year 1925, viz.

#### Account No 1 General

The Clerk  $\frac{1}{2}$  years Salary to 31<sup>st</sup> instant: 75: 0: 0  
Disbursements during year: 23: 19: 2  
£ 98: 19: 2

Kirby Herbert, 17 weeks' Salary as  
Ranger at £ 2 to 29<sup>th</sup> inst.: 34: 0: 0  
17 weeks' rent of cottage to 29<sup>th</sup>  
inst. at 5/- per week: 4: 5: 0  
17 weeks' Employers insurance @ 1/3: 1: 1: 3  
39: 6: 3

#### Account No 2 Second Ranger

Brown William 17 weeks' Salary at  
30/- to 29<sup>th</sup> instant: 25: 10: 0  
The Clerk – disbursements during the year: 6: 4: 10

There is today standing to the credit of the General Account £ 79: 19: 2, but when the above two cheques for £ 98: 19: 2 and £ 39: 6: 3 respectively have been paid there will be a balance due to the Bank of £ 58: 6: 3.

The balances standing to the credit of the other accounts after the above cheques have been paid will be as follows:

The Second Ranger Account £ \*\*\*\*

The Protection & Improvement Fund £ 112: 7: 0

The sum of £ 159: 15: 4 Console and the sum of £ 150 5% War Stock 1929 – 47 represent the investments held on account of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

We found the accounts well kept and correct.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 1924.

Wm. W. S. Follett

Robt. Kenward

It is resolved that the report be approved that the accounts be signed by the Chairman of the Board, that cheques be drawn as recommended by the Committee and that the thanks of the Board be accorded to the Committee for their valuable services.

#### **Authority To Clerk To Detrain For Arrears Of Rate**

On the Motion of Mr. Follett it is resolved that the Clerk be and is hereby authorized and empowered to cause distress to be levied on the goods and chattels of any Commoners who have not paid the Forest Rate.

#### **Nelson Stevenson, Repair Of Tracks**

The Chairman states that at the Commoners' Meeting held this morning Mr. Nelson Stevenson a Cottager at Marl pits Nutley applied for permission to repair (1) a portion of the lane or track lending from Nutley Street to the Windmill (2) the way into his Cottage therefrom (3) a portion of lane or track above his Cottage and to clear out the ditches thereof and cut necessary grips for drainage.

It is resolved that permission be granted the work to be carried out to the satisfaction of Ranger Kirby.

**Rate**

The Clerk reports that the funds of the Conservancy are now exhausted and having produced an estimate of the annual expenditure. It is proposed by Mr. Edward Martin seconded by Colonel Needham and unanimously resolved that a Rate be made for defraying the expenses of the Conservators in the execution of their duties under the Award made under the provisions of the Inclosure Acts 1845 – 1878 and the Commons Regulation (Ashdown Forest) Provisional Order Confirmation Act 1885 to be Levied on the respective owners of the Rights of Common upon Ashdown Forest at the rate of six pence per acre in respect of the acreage of their respective lands to which such rights attach which owners and their respective acreages and the sums payable by them respectively are hereinafter set forth namely:-

<i>Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Acreage</i>	<i>Amount Payable</i>		
Abbey & sons, Messrs.	Kemp Town Brewery, Seymour Street Brighton	15 . .		7	6
Allfrey, The Misses	Wilmshurst, Fletching	12. 3.20		6	6
Anderson, Mrs. I.N	Horney Common, Maresfield (late Mrs. Turner)	2. .		1	
Appleby, Mr. Horace	Hadlow Down, Uckfield	.2 .			6
Arbuthnot, Miss Dortothy G.	Forest Lodge, Sharpthorne, East Grinstead	12:1:8		6	6
Arbuthnot, W.R. Esq decd. The Repres of	c/o James McFarlane Esq, St. Leonard Road, ayr	114:2 .			6
Ashdown Forest Ladies Golf Club	per Miss A.A. Homan, Hon. Secry Forest Row	. 2 .			6
Ashdown, Mr. Thomas	Ivy Cottage, Friars Gate, Withyham	1: 2.		1	-
Avis, Mr. Obadiah	The Hollies, Friars Gate, Withyham	1: 2.		1	-
Baker, Mr. Charles	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	3 . .			6
Baker, Mr. Elias	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	2 . .		1	-
Baker, Mr. William	Chelwood Gate, Uckfield	2 . .		1	-
Baldwin, Mr. Thomas	Hartfield Road, Forest Row	. 2 .			6
Ballard & Co. Ltd. Messrs	Southover, Lewes	2: 2.		1	6
Barchard, Messrs A.E & E.E	Campfield Rough, Fairwarp,	1:0:15		1	-
Barnett, E.W. Esqre	c/o Douglas Killick Esqre, Uckfield (late Amps)	8. .		4	-
Bashford Mr. George J.	Berlyn Farm, Quabrook, Forest Row	6. 1.19		3	6
Beach, Mrs. J.N	The Wincel, Forest Row	2 . .		1	-
Beamish, Capt. T.P.H. C.B.R.N.M.P	Chelworth, Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	57:1:17	1	9	-
Bellairs, A.E. Esqre	Stone House, Forest Row, Sussex				
Bennett, Mr. George	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	0:2:4			6
Bennett, Mr. T.	Furners Green, Dane Hill, Uckfield	2. .		1	-
Bibby, Mrs. Katharine	Chelwood Corner, Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	9: 1.		5	-
Bilby, H.E. Esqre	c/o Mrs. K. Bilby, Ditto	75: .	1	17	6
Birch, Fredk J. Peregrine Esq. Deced, The Repres of	c/o Richard Epps Esqre, 149. St. Johns Road, Tunbridge Wells	3:3:12		2	-
Birch, Francis J.P. Esq Deced, The Repres of	c/o Messrs. Stone, Simpson & Mason Tunbridge	30. .		15	-
Bishop, Messrs. Samuel & son	Forest Row	1. 1.		1	-
Blackie, Alfred Esqre.	"Warrstone", Marden Hill, Crowborough	2. .		1	-
Bond, Major W.C. A.B.E.	Shalesbrook, Forest Row (Late Taylor)	3. .26			
Box, Mr. Richard	Rozell Lodge, 329, Hainault Road, Leytonstone, E.11	3 . .		1	6
Brailey, W.H Esqre M.D	21, Lonsdowne Place, Hove	1: 3 .		1	6
Branwell, Charles Esqre.	Bank Farm House, Chapel Lane, Forest Row (late Lewis)	1. 2.		1	-
Bridgwater, Miss	Hooke Cottage, Forest Row ,	1. .			6
Brown, Mr. Alfred	Bank Farm cottage, Forest Row	. . 39			6
Brownings Mr. William	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	9: 2:		5	-
Bull, The Reverend R.A.	St. Andrews, Forest Row	36:1:20		18	6
Burgess, Mr. Edward	Cherry Tree Cottage, Dane Hill, Uckfield	6:3: 4		3	6
Burns, L.B. Esqre	Brimpton Lodge, Brimpton, *rrks	5. .14		3	-
Burns Mrs. Clementina	Andrews Bank, Coleman's Hatch,	3. .		1	6
Callard, Colonel	Mount Pleasant Farm, Fairwarp	3. .		1	6
Card, Mr. Abraham	Tompsetts Bank, Forest Row	1. .			6
Card, Mr. James	Shalesbrook Farm, Forest Row	8. .		4	-
Carey, Wilfred Hardacre Esq	The Brown House, Forest Row	1. .			6
Carr, Mr. Henry	Fords Green, Nutley	. 2 .			6
Carr, Mr. William	Coffee Hall, Nutley	. :28			6
Carter, Mr. A.E.	Old Forge Lane, Horney Common, Uckfield	1: :			6
Carver, P.W. Esqre.	Courtland House, West Hoathly (Late Cohen)				

Castlestewart, The Rt. Hon. Earl	c/o W.W.S. Follett Esqre, Broomhill, Crowborough	23. .7		12	-
	Ditto Ditto (Late Dodge)	11: 1:30		6	-
Castlestewart, Countess	Littlemead, Nutley	7 : 3:		4	-
Champneys, Sir F.H. Bart	Forest Edge, Forest Row	1 : 2:		1	-
Cholmeley, H.P. Esqre M.D.	C/o Messrs. Daniel Watney & Sons,	133.3.13	3	7	-
Clarke, Mrs. Stephenson					
deced.The Trustees of	4a Fredericks Place, Old Jewry,	56.2.	1	8	6
Clarke, Col.Stephenson	London, E.C.2	595: 1:7	14	18	-
R.C.B	C/o J.T. Marriott Esqre. Estate office,	392:1.	9	16	6
Clarke,Chas.Bridges Orme	Brockenhurst ,Hants				
Esqre.	c/o E.P.Whitley Hughes Esqre East Grinstead	218.. 24	5	9	6
Clough, A.H. Esqre.	Pixton, Forest Row	38.2.37		19	6
Colchester, The Rt.Hon. Lady					
Colville, Admiral The Hon. Sir					
Stanley G.C.B.					
Combe, Lt. Col. Herbert	Parrock Wood, Colemans Hatch (Late Raven)	12. .		6	-
Constable Mrs. Lucy S	Fords Bank, Horney Common, Uckfield	2. 2. 28		1	6
Cook , J. R. Esqre	Sharpthorne House, West Hoathly	5: 1: 4		3	-
Cooper, Ernest Esqre. J.P.	c/o Messrs. Turner , Rudge & Turner, East Grinstead	140. .	3	10	-
Corbett Chas. J. Henry Esqre. J.P.	Woodgate, Dane Hill, Uckfield	248.1.24	6	4	6
Cottington, Mrs. L.E.	Nutley, Uckfield, (late Tribe)	. 2.			6
Cottington, Mr. W.	Beaven Bridge Farm, South Common, Chailey, Sussex	3 : 1: 10		2	-
Cowan, Sir W. H. Bart M P	Crows Nest Fairwarp,	94. 3.20	2	7	6
Curd, Mr. E.A.	Millbrook, Nutley	10. .		5	-
Dadswell, Mr. R.	c/o Miss Fullegar & H. Watson, Ballards Hill, Goudhurst, Kent	1. .			6
Darwin Major Leonard RE	Cripps Corner, Forest Row	33. 2.		17	-
Davis, J.S. Esqre.	Redcot, Fairwarp,	7. 2.16		4	-
Day, Mrs.	Cema House, Collage Lane, East Grinstead	. 2.			6
DeLuttesham, Miss Selma & Meyer	Solvane, Birch Grove, East Grinstead	6. 3. 1		3	6
Miss Katherine					
Dennet, Mr. John	Piltdown Nursery, Uckfield	9. 3. 8		5	-
Dodd, Mrs.	16, Codrington Road, Revnsgate	1. .			6
Douglas, Miss Charlattee Amy	Harlie, Forest Row	: 2. 1			6
Dowson, Joseph Emerson Esq	Landhurst Wood, Hartfield, Sussex	8. 0.24		4	6
Duckworth, Geo. H. Esqre	Darlingridge Place, Tye's Cross,	61: 3:23	1	11	-
C.B.T.S.A	East Grinstead				
DuCroz Charles Grant Esqre	Court Lands, West Hoathley	55. 2.	1	8	-
deas. The Repres of	East Grinstead				
Eason, E. Hy. Physick Esqre	192 Bishopsgate London, E.C. 2	1. 1. 8		1	-
East Grinstead Gas & Water Coy.	East Grinstead	1. 3.		1	-
East Sussex County Council	The County Accountant, County Hall , Lewis	83. 1. 13	2	2	-
Eckstein, Freiderich G.J. Esq	Oldlands Hall, near Uckfield	285. .	7	2	6
Eden, A.F. Esqre	The Crossways, Hartfield	5. 3.32		3	-
Elliott, Mr. George	Harts Farm, Colemans Hatch (late Vill** Smith)	3. .		1	6
	Ashdown House, Forest Row				6
Evill, Arthur Esqre	Offerton, Forest Row,	32. .		16	-
Faber, Alfred Esq	Nutley, (Late Tribe)	3. 0.16		2	-
Farmer, Mr. H.W	Summerford, Fairwarp	. 2.			6
Fellows, Miss N.S.F. Nixon Miss E.	Wilonshurst, Fletching,	4. .		2	-
Ferris, Colonel. W.B		12.3.20			-

Flolliett, Esqre	9 Montague Gardens, Tunbridge Well	26. 3. 8		13	6
Follett, W.W.S Esq	Broomhill, Crowborough,	5. .		2	6
Freeland, Mr. P.H.	Nutley,	2. 3.		1	6
Freshfield, Douglas W. Esq	Wych Cross Place, Forest Row,	270. 3. 3	6	15	6
Friend, Messrs. J. & H.	Wall Hill Farm, Forest Row	43. .	1	1	6
Fuller, Miss Millicent	Vaughans, Fletching,	10. .		5	-
Funnell, Mr. Trayton	Oakhouse Farm, Danehill	18:1:13		9	6
Fype, Miss Alice	Homesdale, Grove Park, Lee S.E. 12	5. .		2	6
Gasson, Mrs. Agnes	Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	3. 2.		2	-
Gasson Mr. Thomas	Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	-: 2:32			6
Gilham, Mr. E.J.	Nutley (Timber Yard Late A. Turner)	. 2.			6
Glover, Mrs. Maude	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield (late Bellingham)	. .25			6
Goard, Mr. Thomas	The Green, Forest Row	. 1.			6
Godfrey, William Esqre	Mudbrooks Farm, Forest Row	103.3:10	2	12	-
Godley, The Hon. Hugh John	c/o The Rt. Hon. Lord Klbraclers	65:2:26	1	13	-
	South Hartfield House, Colemans Hatch				
Goldsmiths Company, The	Goldsmiths Hall, London, E.C. 2	117:3:10	2	19	-
Gordon, Mrs. Dora H.	"Domaha", Forest Row,	5:1:36		3	-
Greasley. C. Esqre	211. Longley Road, Tooting Junction, S.W. 17	. . 20			6
Grover, Mr. Bernard	Nutley, (late Turner)	5. 2.13		3	-
Hale, The Misses	c/o Messers. Turner, Rudge & Turner, (East Grinstead )				
Halsey, W.H. Esqre	Hillside, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	1. .29		1	-
Hambro, R.O. Esqre	Kidbrooke Park, Forest Row	150. .	3	15	-
Hardinge, The Right Honble Sir A.H.-G.C.M.G.K.C.B.	Cold Harbour, Forest Row, Sussex	5:3:19		3	-
Hardy, H.R. Esqre	c/o C.E. Cross Esqre, Danehurst Estate	256:3:35	6	8	6
The Trustees of Will of	Office, Horsted Keynes, Sussex				
Harman, Mr. E.	Butcher, East Grinstead	499.1.16	12	8	6
Harmsworth, Vyvian G. Esq	Valley Holme, Horsted Keynes	60. .18	1	10	6
Harrison, Miss Marion	Holly Grange, Forest Row,	4. 0.16		2	6
Harvey, Miss Katharine	"Kuranda", Hartfield,	9. 2.20		5	-
Haslam, George D. Esqre	Danehurst, Uckfield (late Messel)	44.2 .35	1	2	6
Head, F.H. Esqre	Goldstrow, Piltown, Uckfield	10. .		5	-
Head, Mr. John	Yewhurst Laundry, Ashurst Wood, East Grinstead	49. 3. 2	1	5	-

Heasman, Mrs Christopher Decd. The Ecars of	Quabrook, Colemans Hatch (late John Bashford)	3. 2.20		2	-
Heasman Mr. Philip	The Homestead, Friars Gate, Withyham	2. .		1	-
Heasman, Mr. William	Little Furnace Farm, Colemans Hatch	3. .		1	6
Heasman, Mrs. C.	c/o Mrs. Isabella Heasman,				
Heasman, Mrs. Sarah &	Stone Cottage, Friars Gate,				
Heasman, Mrs. Isabella	Withyham,	2. 2.		1	6
Heath Mr. Joseph Benjamin	Hamilton Terrace, Forest Row,	3. .		1	6
Hemsley, Mr. William	Isfield Mill, Isfield	. 1.			6
Henry, Mrs.	The Laurels, Nutley	. . 3			6
Hewitt, H.B.Esq	Perrymans Hill, Turners Green Uckfield	8:0:36		4	6
Hills, Mr. W.	Poplar Farm, Pound Gate, Buxted (late O. Shoebridge)	2. .		1	-
Hoare, Alfred Esq	37, Fleet Street, London E.C. 4	101. .	2	10	6
Hoath, Mrs. Lydia	Moorlands, Withyham	4. .		2	-
Hobbs, Mr. James	Blackven Farm, Horney Common, Uckfield	.2 .			6
Hollamby, Mr. W.	Forest Row,	. .16			6
Hollamby, Mr. J	Sellwood Place, Forest Row,	. .11			6
Hope, The Rt. Hon. Jas. F. P.C.M.P.	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co. Lewes	520: 3.	13	-	6
Horne, E.A. Esqre	Wayside,Forest Row	. 2.			6
Horscroft, Mr. Thomas	Nutley (late A. Turner)	. 1.			6
Hounsom,Wm Allen Esq. J.P.	41, New Church Road, Brighton	28. .		14	-
Hudson, Mrs. Margaret	Pixton Hill Farm, Forest Row	24. .		12	-
Hudson, Mr. James	Smithy Cottage, Colemans Hatch	. 3.			6
Humphrey, Mr. Harry	Edgemount, Colemans Hatch	6. .		3	-
Hunt, Mrs.	2. Sellwood Place, Forest Row	1. .			6
Hyde, Thos. Esq deceased The Trustees of	c/o E.M. Challenor Esqre Solicitor. Abingdon	33. 2.		17	-
Ince, The Reverend J.R.C.	The Vicarage, Fairwarp, Uckfield	1. .			6
Izzard, Mrs William	3 Gladstone Road, Crowborough	1. .			6
Jackson, Mr. Arhtur	Forest Row	. .20			6
Jenner & Brown, Messrs.	Cast House Cottages, Forest Row	. 2.			6
Johnson W. Claude Esqre	Broadstone, Colemans Hatch, Sussex	13:2:26		7	-
Keys, Mr. R.H.	The Hollies, Hartfield	1. 2.10		1	-
Kent, Sir Stephenson K.C.B.	The Secretary Chapelwood Manor, Nutley	322.1.31	8	1	6
Kenward, Mrs J	Piltdown, Uckfield	100. .	2	10	-
Kenward, Mr. Edward	Budlelts, Maresfield, Uckfield	2. .		1	-
Kenward, Robert Esqre	Barkham Manor, Fletching	74. .	1	17	-
Kerr Trefusis, Mrs.	35 Portland Place, London W. 1	3. 1.		2	-
Killick Mr. Henry	Hartfield,	. 1.			6
Kindersley, Sir R.M.G.B.E.	15, Charles Street, Berkley Square, W. 1	92. .	2	6	-
Knight Mr. J	Railway Inn, Forest Row,	. 2. 2			6
Lack, Dr.	Brown House, Forest Row	1. 1.29		1	-
Lambert, G.N. Esqre.	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill Uckfield	4. 2.		2	6
Langridge, Mr. Enoch	Dane Hill, Uckfield	1. 2.		1	-
Lapage, Dr.	Forest Row	1. .			6
Larnach, Nevil , Mrs.	C/o Stanley Pott Esq, Branbletye, Estate Office, East Grinstead	647:3:10	1	4	-
Lawrence, Sir Walter Bart	Bunces Farm, Birch Grove, East Grinstead (late Powell)	2. 1.26		1	6
****, Miss Al*** M.	" Abbotswood", Buxted(Late Inns)	1. .			6
Loftus, Lt. Col. Douglas	Nutley Court, Nutley	18: 2: 5		9	6
Longley, Mr. C. Decd. The Repres. of Longley C.J. Esqre	Oakhurst, Golf Road, Forest Row	. 1. 1			6
Longley & Waters, Messrs.	Rathcote, Crawley, Sussex (late Du Croz)				
Lucas, F.R. Esqre	, Forest Row,	40. 1.10	1	-	6
Lucas, Mrs.	Streeters Rough, Chelwood Gate, Uckfield	29.1.13		15	-

Lumsden, Robert Jas. Esqre	Bramblehurst, Ashurst Wood, East Grinstead	48.2.15	1	4	6
Mackay, Mr. C.D.	Wrexham Lodge, Forest Row	3. .		1	6
Mackwood, Miss	Moor Farm, St. John's, Crowborough	1. .			6
Macmillan Maurice, Esq	Greylands, Nutley	1. .			6
Macmillan, Mrs. Helen Artie	Birch Grove House,	13. .		10	6
Manners, Mrs. J. T.	near East Grinstead	44:1:11	1	2	6
Mansbridge, Mr. James	Bankside, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5. .		2	6
Marchant Mr. Thomas	Spring View, Forest Row	. .20			6
Maresfield, The Rector of	Cackle Street, Maresfield, Uckfield	5. .		2	6
	The Rectory, Maresfield, Uckfield	100 . .	2	10	-s
Marriott, Mr. & Miss Cordelia J	c/o Messrs. Hastie, 65 Lincolns Inn Fields W.C. 2	65:0:17	1	13	-
Marsden, James Esqre	Hurst Wood House High Hurst Wood, Uckfield	3. 2		2	-
Martin, Edward Esqre J.P.	Woodcote, Forest Row,	1. 1.28		1	-
Martin Mr. William	Coach & Horses, Dane Hill, Uckfield	8. 1.		4	6
Martin, Mr. George T.	Forest Row,	5. 1.		3	-
Mashette, Esqre	Dennis Cross, Hook Heath, Woking	5. .		2	6
May, Paul Stanley Esqre & others	c/o Messrs. Finnis, Downey, Linnell & Chessher	79:2:37	2	-	-
	5. Clifford street, Bond Street, W 1				6
Mr. Andrew, John Esqre. J.P	Holly Hill, Colemans Hatch	305:1:39	7	13	-
Mc. Lachlan, G.A. Esqre	Forest Lodge, Horney Common, Uckfield	16:1:5		8	6
Meux, H.E. Esqre.	29, Lamb Street, E.1	4. 2.16		2	6
Miles, Mrs. L.A.E.	Dane Hill, Uckfield	15:3:26		8	-
Miles, Mrs. C.A.	Kingsdown Farm, Burwash Common Sussex (late Bellingham)	1. .			
Miles, Mr. H.	Pitlands Farm, Hartfield	4. 3.		2	6
Mitchell, Mr. Frank	Nutley (late Tribe)	. 2.			6
Mitchell Mr. William	Forest Row, Sussex	1. 1.		1	-
Ditto & Eliza Brett	Ditto	.1.10			6
Mitchell, Mr. Alfred	Brook Cottage, Forest Row (late Bellingham)	. 2.			6
Morice, Norman Esqre.	Oak Tree Cottage, Forest Row	1. 1.24		1	-
Morris, Miss T.V	Bracklay Cottage, Fairwarp, Uckfield	14:2:30		7	6
Needham, Colonel Charles	Tylehurst, Forest Row,	58. .	1	9	-
Neild, Dr.	Shaw Cottage, Hartfield (late Clough)				
Noble, Percy C. Esqre	Fincham Farm, Hartfield	18. 2.		9	6
Norman, Mr. Henry deced Repres Of	Fairwarp, , Uckfield	6. .		3	-
Oldham, Miss K.	Graystone, Crowborough (late Laver)	5. 2.		3	-
Osborne, Mr. Albert	Oaklands, Duddleswell, Maresfield	. 3.15			6
Osborne, Mr. George	Hill End Farm, Nutley	2. 2. .		1	6
Osborne, Bros. Messrs.	Hill End Farm, Nutley	49: :24	1	5	-
Osborne, Mrs. Mahala	Duddleswell, Fairwarp	4:0:11		2	6
Osborne, Mr. William	Foresters Arms,	15:2:18		8	-
Ditto & Elizth his wife	Fairwarp, Uckfield	14:2:0		7	6
Osborne, Mr. Thomas	Nutley,	12. 2.		6	6
Ditto & Harriett his wife	Uckfield	17. .		8	6



Oxley, William Esqre	33, Queen's Road, Tunbridge Wells	28. 1. 8		14	6
Parsons, Miss Muriel	Mouse Hole, Forest Row,	1 .2. 19		1	-
Pearson, J.C. Esqre	Woodlands Nursery, Maresfield	12. .		6	-
Peckham, Mr. George	Sunnyside, Hartfield	. 1. 16			6
Penfold, Mr. Harry	Lisburne, Nutley	2:1:8		1	6
Philcox, Mr. George	Portobella, Colemans Hatch,	2:2 .		1	6
Phillips, The Revd. J.S,	The Vicarage, Nutley	4: . .		2	-
Phillips, Mrs.	Ashdown Cottage, Forest Row	. 2.			6
Playford, Miss Agnes	Harlie, Forest Row,	. . 16			6
Plevins, G.S.Esqre.	Broadstone, Forest Row,	3:3:20		2	-
Portman, The Rt. Hon. Viscount	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co. Lewes	212: :18	5	6	6
Raven, W.J. Esqre	Parrock Wood Cottage, Colemans Hatch	. 3 . 5			6
Rowlings, G.H. Esqre	Little Denstone, Forest Row	2 : :		1	-
Reed Mrs. Emma	Bank Cottage, near Broadstone, Forest Row	2. 2.		1	6
Richardson, Capt. J.	Pound Gate, Buxted	2. 2.		1	6
Ridley Mr. Spencer	Mill Brook, Nutley, Uckfield	12. 2.		6	6
Ridley Mr. A.J	Horney Common, Maresfield	1. .			6
Ridley Mr. Sylvanus	Nutley	26. .		13	-
Ridley, Mr. Henry	Nutley	. 1.32			6
Ridley, Mr. F. T	Nutley,	. .15			6
Ridley Mrs. Lucy Rose	White House Farm, Horney Common,	19. 2.26		10	-
Ridley, Mr. Harry	Near Church, Cowden, Edenbridge	. 1. 8			6
Riley, Mrs.	Nutley	3. 1.28		2	-
Robinson, Lt. Col. D.C.	The Homestead, Neild Crescent, Hendon, N. (Late Wallace)	17. 1.		9	-
Robinson, Miss Eliza	Iveridge, Forest Row (Late Loveday)	. 1.			6
Rave John, Esqre	R.A.F.Golf Club, Forest Row(***)	. 1.13			6
Rumbold, Miss Katherine Cecilia	Yew Tree Hall, Forest Row	4: 2.		2	6
Samuel Sir Stuart M. Bart	12 Hill Street, Mayfair, W.1.	5:1:29		3	-
Sargent,Mrs.	"Nieuport", De la Warr Rd. East Grinstead	1. .			6
Saunders, Mr. Harry	Hawthorn,	. 1. 3			6
Saunders, Mrs. Harry	Forest Row	. 1.			6
Saville, Miss & Sturdy, Miss	Shepherds Gate, Colemans Hatch	5. 1.		3	-
Sayers, Mr. Thomas	Post Office, Forest Row, Sussex	. 1 .			6

Sclater Rev. F. & S.	Newick Park, Newick, Lewes	69:0:14	1	15	-
Scott, Mrs Hannah	Duddleswell, Uckfield	0:2:0			6
Seymour, Mr. Mark	Post Horn Lane, Forest Row,	. 1.			6
Shakerley Ackers, G.H. Esq	Moreton Hall Duddleswell, near Uckfield	12. .		6	-
Shelford, W.H. Esq	Horncastle, East Grinstead	22:2:26		11	6
Shepherd, S.D. Esqre	Claypit Farm, Colemans Hatch	27:2:19		14	-
Shoebridge, Mr. Thomas.	Nutley	11:0:24		6	-
Shule, E.P. Esqre	Spring Meadow, Forest Row, Sussex	1. .			6
Shinner, Sir Sydney	West Watch, Birch Grove, East Grinstead (Late Mr. Leod)	8. .		4	-
Shinner, Mr. V.W	Dodds Grove, Nutley	9. .29		5	-
Shipworth, Mr. L.	Maresfield (late Mrs. Taylor)	. 1.			6
Smallwood, J.E. Esqre	20, Blatchington Road, Hove (late Bellingham)	1. .			6
Smith, Lt. Col. E. Clements	Putlands, Fairwarp	11. 3.20		6	-
Snelgrove, John Sidney Esq	The Plottage, Forest Row	18. 2.		9	6
Soames, Arthur Gillstrap Esqre	c/o John Edward Eggleton Esqre Estate Office, Sheffield Park, Uckfield	950:0:10	23	15	6
Stanbridge, Mrs.	5, Benthall Grove, West Croydon, Surrey	. .31			6
Steel, Major F.B.	Pricketts Hatch, (late Bailey) Nutley (late Muir)	27. 3.31 . 1.		14	6
Stephens, Mr. Nelson G.	Marlpits, Nutley	3. .		1	6
Sterling, Miss F.M	Homewood, Hartfield	5: 2:		3	-
Stevenson, Mrs. Mary Ann	Collingford, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5. 2.		3	-
Stevenson, Mr. Frank	Little Shelf, (late Turner)	1. .			6
Stevenson, Mr. Stephen	Nutley	3. 1.		2	-
Stevenson, Mr. Richard	Millbook Farm, Nutley	4.2.21		2	6
Streatfeild, R.J. Esqre. J.P.	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co. Lewes				
Streater, Mr. William	Nutley	12. .		6	-
Swann, Edwd. Arthur Esqre	The Grove, Woodhurst Park Oxted,	2. .24		1	6
Sydenhaim, Dr. Geo. Merryn	Chelwood Gate, Dane Hill, Uckfield	1. .			6
Tamplin & sons Brewery	1. Richmond Terrace	. 2.			
Brighton Ltd	Brighton (late Southdown Brewery)	4: 2.30		3	-
Taylor, Mr. George	Old Workhouse, Fairwarp, Uckfield	10. .		5	-
Taylor, Mrs.	St. James Road, East Grinstead	. 1.			6
Taylor, Mr. James	3. Fairview Cottages, St. Johns Road	0:1:16			6

Taylor, Mrs. John	Henley House, Uckfield	. 2.			6
Taylor, Mr. Thomas	Hartfield Road, Forest Row	. 2.			6
Thomas G.H &. Esqre	Oakcroft, Hartfield,	2. 0.38		1	6
Thornton, Miss M.H.	103, Elrvey Street, London, S.W. 1	5. 2.		3	-
Tomsett, Mr.	Tompsetts Bank, Forest Row	. 2.			6
Tosetti, M.A. Esqre	Cookhams, Horsted Keynes	34. .		17	-
Tribe, Miss F.V.	Nutley,	1. .			6
Turner, Albert Esqre	c/o Albert Turner Esqre.				
Decd. The Repres of	"Holme", Lewes				
Turner, Messrs C & J.	Whitehouse Farm, Coleman's Hatch	18 . .		9	-
Turner, Mr. Edward	Walnut Tree Inn, Brenchley, Paddock Wood, Kent	. 1.			6
Turner Mr. William	Nutley (Nutley Forge, late A. Turner)				
Turner, Mr. Nelson	Nutley	3. 1. 24		2	-
Tyler, Mr. Allen	Horney Common, near Uckfield	4. 2.		2	6
Tyler, Mr. Enoch	Horney Common, Uckfield	5. 3.		3	-
Underwood, Mrs. Fredk.	Post Horn Lane, Forest Row	1. .			6
Verner, Mrs.	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	12. .		6	-
Vokins, W.H. Esqre	"Beechwood", Withdean, Brighton	7. .26		4	-
Walker, Miss Hester M.	Priar's Field, Forest Row	1. 2.		1	-
Wallace, Mrs.	Graddocks Farm, Hartfield (H & Ground)	. 3.			6
Wallis, Mr. Alfred	4. Sillwood Place, Crowborough (late Mackay)	2. .		1	-
Wallis, Mrs. Reginald	The Forge, Rotherfield	2. .		1	-
Walls, Mrs. Annie	Cackle Street, Nutley	4. .		2	-
Walsham, Mrs	Warrenside, Forest Row, Sussex	2. .		1	-
Walter, Mrs. Ellen	Fairwarp	2. .		1	-
Walter, Mr. Alfred	Fairwarp	1. .			6
Walter, Mr. John	Dodds Bank, Nutley (late Turner)	3. .		1	6
Warwick, Charles Esqre	Lower Parrock, Hartfield	91. 3 .	2	6	-
Waters, Messrs H & E	High Gate, Forest Row	57: 0:23	1	9	-
Waters, Mr. Edgar	Forest Row,	4. 3.36		2	6
Waters Mr. Henry J.		1 : 3:		1	-
Waters, Mr. James	Forest Row,	: 2: 8			6
Waters, Mr. John	Forest Row,	46. 2.	1	3	6

Watson, Dr.	Chapel Lane, Forest Row	. . 20			6
Weeding, Mr. Daniel	Wrathtye, Hartfield	. 1.			6
Weeks, Mr. Fredk. Robb	Forest Hotel, Forest Row	: 3:20			6
Welfare Mr. William	Ocklye Farm, Withyham	3. .		1	6
Wheatley, Mr. Charles	Whitehouse Bank, Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	3. .		1	6
Wheatley, Mr. Henry	Nutley (Late A. Turner)	. 1.			6
Wheatley, Mr. Joseph	Colemans Hatch,	4. .		2	-
Wheeler, Mr. William	Nutley	. 2.13			6
Wheeler, Mr. Charles	Chelwood Common, Danehill, Uckfield	5. .		2	6
White, Mrs.	Nortington Villa, London Rd., Burgers Hill	0. 0.11			6
White, Mr. Samuel	White Hall Cottage, Forest Row	. 1.			6
White, W. Lesland Esqre	Atherton, East Grinstead	. 2.			6
Whitewood Mrs. Clara Sophia	Nutley	2. 1.		1	6
Wickens, Mr. Spencer Senr.	c/o Messrs Hunt, Currey & Nicholson	15. .		7	6
Deced, The Executors of	& Co. ,Solicitors,				
Wickens, Mr. J.H.	Lewes	11. .		5	6
Wickens Mr. Simeon	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	45. 1.	1	3	-
Wickham, Mr. Humphrey	Pock Hill, Forest Row,	7: .		3	6
Wickham, Mr. Arthur	Forest Bank, Nutley,	4. 1.25		2	6
Willett, Arnold J. Esqre	2 Little Dean's Yard, Westminster S.W. 1	12. 2.		6	6
Willett, Dr. E.W.	"Spyways", Hartfield	5. .		2	6
Williamson, Geo. F. Esqre	Ashdown, Hartfield	5. .15		3	-
Wilson, Mr. Edward	Mount Pleasant, Old Lands, Maresfield,	1. .			6
Wilson Geo M. Maryon Esq J.P	Searles, Uckfield	1214:3:			
		26	30	7	6
Wood, Mr. Jesse deceased	c/o Messrs. Turner & Jones,				
The Exors of	Solicitors, East Grinstead	11: 2 .		6	-
Wood Mr. Ephraim	Duddleswell, Uckfield,	10: 0:16		5	6
Wood, John Edgar, Esqre	"Glenville", London Rd, West Malling Kent	4: .		2	-
Wood, Mr. Frederick	Fair Place Farm, Nutley	26: 2: 5		13	6
Wood, Mrs. E.M	The Hollies, 9 Bennett Park, Blackheath, SE	30:3:		15	6
Wood, Mr. H.	Nutley	. 1.19			6
Worthington, Godfrey Esq	Pickeridge, Forest Row (**** Priory Estate)				

## **P.O. Telephones**

An application having been made by the Post Office authorities for the consent of this Board to their placing four poles and stays on Forest land on the East side of the lane leading from Nutley street to Nutley Court House as per plan annexed to the application.

It is resolved that the Chairman be authorised to deal with the matter.

## **William Wood application to deposit earth**

Mr. William Wood Contractor of Bexhill attends and states that he is tendering for the cartage away of surplus earth in connection with the laying of the underground telephone line from Forest Row to Nutley and enquiring whether the Board will permit him to deposit the earth on the Forest. It is explained to him that the Board could only consent to the earth being used for filling up dangerous holes or disused quarries on the Forest.

It is resolved that he do point out to the Rangers whose areas are concerned any suitable places for making such deposits, that the Rangers report to their respective Committee and that the Committee be authorised to grant consent if they see fit subject to such terms and conditions as they may deem proper.

## **Tylehurst corners of roads authority to improve**

The Rural Districts Council of East Grinstead having applied through Colonel Needham for the improvement of dangerous corners of roads between Forest Row and Plawhatch near Tylehurst. It is resolved that the application be referred to the Forest Row Committee with power to act.

## **Bridge near Rist Wood**

A letter is read from the Secretary of the R.A.F. Golf Club pointing out that the bridge across the brook near Rist Wood is unsafe and applying for its repair or reconstruction, suggesting the substitution of a brick culvert and offering on behalf of the Club to share the expense. Also stating that the road on both sides leading to the ford over the Shalesbrook in the centre of the Shalesbrook property is in a bad and dangerous condition for \*\*ticular traffic and suggesting that this Board do provide materials for the repair the Club undertaking to do the work. It is resolved that it be referred to the Forest Row Committee to enquire into these matters and report to the Board with their recommendations if any.

The Clerk reports that among the miscellaneous correspondence he has had to deal with since the last meeting he has received divers applications.

## **Cattle on Forest Roads**

1. From the Automobile Association drawing attention to cattle straying on the highways an accident having occurred to one of their number in trying to avoid cows. The Clerk explained that in crossing the Forest it is the duty of a motorist to look out for cattle.

## **Sheep on Forest Road**

2. A letter from Mr. J. Card asking advice for Mr. H. Holmes of Shepherds Gate Farm who had two sheep killed on the highway between Highbeeches and Colemans Hatch, to which the Clerk replied that Mr. Holmes had no right to turn out sheep, only certain tenants of Lord De La Warr having such right.

## **Application to lease site for refreshment stall**

3. An application from a Mr. Filzray Simmons to lease about 20 rods above Wych Cross for a refreshment stall, in reply to which the clerk pointed out that the Board has no power and the Bye Laws prohibit this.

## **Application to erect place of worship**

4. An application from Sister Elinor Sellens of Crowborough for consent to erect a Wesleyan place of Worship permanent or temporary on Forest land near an Oak tree where they have been holding services in the summer, to which the Clerk made a similar reply.

## **Alteration of hour for Commoners' meeting**

On the motion of Mr. Kenward who points out that 11.0.a.m. is an inconvenient hour for holding meetings of Commoners. It is resolved that Commoners' meetings be in future held at noon.

### **Thanks to Chairman**

The business then concludes with a hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman for the very admirable manner in which he has conducted the business of the Board during the year just expiring.

### **Adjournment**

It is resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February next at 3.0 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary. The meeting terminated at 1.15 p.m.

Chairman

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### **A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday, the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1925 at 3.30.p.m.**

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson in the chair  
Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley C.J. Colville G. C.B. &c.  
Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart  
Colonel Needham  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. W.W.S. Follett  
" D.W. Freshfield  
" Robert Kenward  
" Edward Martin  
" Thomas Osborne

Mr. Freshfield is voted into the Chair.

### **Election of Chairman**

On the motion of Sir Stanley Colville seconded by Mr. Kenward, Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson is unanimously elected Chairman of the Board for the current year.

Mr. Maryon – Wilson having taken the Chair, thanks the Board for the compliment they have paid him in electing him as their Chairman for the twenty fifth year in succession and mentions that during that period he has only missed three meetings of the Board.

He thanks all the members of the Board for the very loyal support they have always given him and the Clerk for the valuable assistance he has always rendered.

### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last meeting are then read and confirmed.

The Clerk reports that Mr. Eckstein has written to him accepting the office of a Conservator.

### **Election of Committees**

The following Committees are then appointed:-

The Forest Row Committee – Mr. Freshfield, Sir Stanley C.J. Colville, Mr. Edward Martin and Colonel Needham.

The Maresfield District Committee – Mr. Follett, Sir Francis H. Champneys, Mr. Kenward and Mr. Osborne.

The Fire Committee – The Chairman of the Board, the Chairmen of each of the District Committees, Sir Stanley C.J. Colville and Mr. Robert Kenward.

### **Rate confirmed, Finances**

The Clerk reports that the Rate made at the last meeting has been approved by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries but that owing to the enormous difficulty in tracing some hundred purchasers of the different parts of the Maresfield Estate, there is unavoidable delay in collecting the Rate, which will now be coming in. He produces the Bank Books which show that the balances are as follows:-

General Account overdrawn by	£ 26:11: 9
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger Account	26:18: 8
Protection and Improvement Fund	170: 3: 3

### **Prosecution of Potter and Waite**

The Clerk reports that on the 31<sup>st</sup> December last at the East Grinstead Bench Thomas Potter and Benjamin Waite were convicted for a breach of Bye Law 13 in cutting holly and fined 10/- each inclusive

### **Woodlands Gate – Protection and Improvement Fund**

The Maresfield Committee report that the Forest Gate at Woodlands has been renewed at a cost of £ 5: 6: 0. It is resolved that the amount be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Legsheath Farm, License**

The Clerk reports that the License to Legsheath Farm Limited to lay and maintain a waterpipe to the Farm has been completed.

### **Ranger Kirby's bicycle repair**

The Chairman reports that he authorised the expenditure of £ 1: 1: 0 for the repair of Ranger Kirby's bicycle which has been completed. It is resolved that the amount be paid out of the General Account.

### **Telephone Line to Nutley Court**

The Clerk reports that the consent for the telephone line to Nutley Court has been granted and Ranger Kirby reports that the line has been erected.

### **Mr. Wood deposit of earth**

Ranger Kirby reports that Mr. William Wood has not seen him with regard to the disposal of surplus soil arising from laying the underground telephone line under the main road from Wych Cross to Nutley and believes the reason to be that there is not likely to be any surplus.

### **Uckfield Gas and Electricity Bill**

The Clerk reports that notice having appeared of the application to Parliament by the Uckfield Gas Company Limited for a Bill entitled "The Uckfield Gas and Electricity Bill 1925" he obtained a print of the Bill and found that is proposed to include in its area of supply a large portion of the Forest being so much thereof as lay within the Parishes of Danehill and Maresfield and the Southern portion of the Parish of Buxted and would empower the Company, subject to sanction of the Electricity Commissioners to carry in various directions overhead cables (now very much in use). After consultation with the Chairman the Clerk communicated with the promoters of the Bill and their Parliamentary Agents with a view to obtaining the insertion of a Clause for the protection of the Forest but as these negotiations failed and the time for petitioning was running out, the Chairman authorised the Clerk to present a petition against the Bill and settled with him the provisions that should be secured. Thereupon the Clerk prepared instructions to his Parliamentary Agents to frame the petition but before seeing them and setting them in motion he decided to have one more interview with the Promoter's Parliamentary Agents. He therefore saw them and showed them his instructions to petition and in the result he settled with them a Clause embodying the provisions necessary for the protection of the Forest and obtained from them a written undertaking to insert the Clause in the Bill thus avoiding the costly process of opposing the Bill. He explains the extent to which the Bill would have effected the Forest and reads the clause and undertaking. It is resolved that the Chairman be thanked for his prompt action in the matter, that the action of the Clerk be confirmed and the Clause approved.

### **Protection and Improvement Fund**

The Clerk presents an account of his costs and disbursements in the matter amounting to £ 11: 9: 0 and it is resolved that they be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Fires Committee**

The Fire Committee present the following report which is read and it is resolved that it is entered on the minutes, viz, In compliance with the instructions given by the Board of Conservators at their meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> June last, the Fire Committee met today. Present Messrs Maryon – Wilson, Freshfield, Follett and Sir Stanley Colville and after careful consideration present the following recommendations.

That the Board be recommended to authorise the Fire Committee to employ additional assistance for the Ranger during the approaching fire season the time of their employment and arrangements generally to be left to the discretion of the Committee with power (subject to the Lord's consent being obtained) to cut and burn blocks of heather and undergrowth.

2. That the Committee be empowered to entertain the application of any Commoner made to the Clerk to cut and burn a specific area and to refuse such application or to grant it subject to such conditions as they consider desirable.
3. That the consideration of measures for the fire season of 1926 and of propaganda be dealt with at the meeting of the Board held next before the next Annual Commoners Meeting.

On the motion of the Chairman of the Committee seconded by Colonel Needham it is unanimously resolved that the report and recommendations be approved and acted on.

### **Bridge near Rist Woods**

A letter is read from the R.A.F. Golf Club stating that owing to the disrepair of the bridge at Rist Wood Pond and the urgency of the matter they had been obliged to insert 12 inch glazed soc\*t pipes surrounded with concrete across the roadway to carry the overflow of the pond at a cost of £ 13:10:0 and asking the Board to contribute half these amount.

### **Protection and Improvement Fund**

On the motion of Mr. Martin it is resolved that the Board do contribute £ 5 out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Road at Shalesbrook repaired**

The Club also stated that they have carried out certain necessary repairs to the road at Shalesbrook.

### **Footbridge near Water Farm – Protection and Improvement Fund**

The R.A.F. Golf Club drew attention to the bad state of the uprights and handrail of the footbridge erected by the Board near Rist Wood. It is resolved that it be referred to the Forest Row Committee to inspect and do what they consider necessary any expenditure to come out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Bridge near Post Horn Lane – Protection and Improvement Fund**

Mr. Martin reports that the bridge near Post Horn Lane has been repaired at a cost of £ 2:10:0. It is resolved that the amount be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Mr. Nelson Kenward License for two roads**

Mr. Nelson Kenward of Waldron attends before the Board and states that he has purchased from the Maresfield Estate the land on the South West Side of the main road from Nutley to Uckfield opposite Dodds Bank being inclosure no. 914 and part of 35 on the Ordnance Map 1910 which he is dividing into four building plots, that a strip of Forest Land about 30 feet in depth lay between his frontage and the main road that he already has access to the Northernmost and Southernmost plots but desires permission to make and maintain carriage roads of 10 feet in width over the Forest Land from the main road to each of the two centre plots and submits a plan Mr. Follett on behalf of the Lord assenting. It is resolved that a revocable License be granted to Mr. Nelson Kenward to make and maintain the two roads subject to the usual conditions. Mr. Kenward paying an acknowledgement of 10/- per annum in respect of each road half to the Lord and half to the Board and the proper charges of the Clerk in relation to the preparation of the License. Also, Mr. Follett assenting on behalf of the Lord, it is resolved that Mr. Kenward be authorised to metal so much of the existing road on the South East Side of the Southernmost plot as crosses the Forest Land.

### **Scale of acknowledgements**

It is resolved that at the next meeting the Clerk produce the list of acknowledgements now paid with some suggestion as to the scale of acknowledgements to be charged in the case of future Licenses.

### **Military damage Fairwarp Recreation Ground**

Complaint having been made that mounted Military from Maresfield Camp had caused damage to the Fairwarp Recreation Ground by riding over it the Clerk reports that he wrote to the Officer Commanding drawing his attention to Bye Law 19 and requesting him to caution the Officers and men under his command not to ride over the Forest. It is resolved that as the area of this Recreation Ground is not indicated by any mark. the Maresfield Committee be requested to consider and report whether it is desirable to mark the area by boundary posts or otherwise.



### **Lanes at Nutley**

The Clerk reads letters received from the Reverend J.S. Phillips, Vicar of Nutley, asking for assistance to repair and improve the Lanes at (1) Forest Banks (2) Nursery Lane and (3) the road past the Nutley Schools towards Mr. Thomas Osborne's house (Brickyard). It is resolved that Mr. Phillips be informed that these Lanes so far as they lie between the Nutley high road and the open Forest are outside the official boundary of the Forest.

### **Tonbridge School Officers Training Corps**

A letter is read dated 18<sup>th</sup> inst from Major Eames Commanding the Tonbridge School Officers' Training Corps applying for permission for his contingent to hold a field day on the 12<sup>th</sup> March next on that part of the Forest running South East from the Chuck Hatch to Newbridge Road by way of Gills Lap towards Black Hill undertaking to be responsible that no fire is lighted on the Forest and that every precaution is taken that no lighted matches or cigarette ends shall be thrown on the ground. Mr. Follett on behalf of the Lord Assenting, It is resolved that the permission asked for be granted.

### **Vincent encampment**

An application is read dated 15<sup>th</sup> inst from Lieut. Col. Clement Smith complaining of the Vincent Gipsy encampment on the Forest adjoining his North fence which is with out any sanitary arrangements. It is resolved that Ranger Kirby see the Sanitary Inspector and ask him to take action.

### **Telephone under ground cable to the Beacon**

An application is read from the Postmaster General asking consent to the laying of a telephone cable under the Forest land from the Duddleswell Road to the "Beacon" Mr. Follett consenting on behalf of the Lord subject to the payment to him of 1/- a year and the usual condition It is resolved that the Board do assent to the application.

### **Cheques**

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

#### Herbert Kirby

8 weeks salary as Ranger @ £ 2 to 23 <sup>rd</sup> inst:	£ 16: 0: 0
8 weeks rent of cottage:	2: 0: 0
8 weeks employer's insurance @ 1/3:	10: 0
Repair of bicycle:	<u>1: 1: 0</u>
	£ 19: 11: 0

#### William Brown

8 weeks salary as 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger @ 30/- to 23 <sup>rd</sup> inst:	12: 0: 0
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It is resolved that the next Meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup> day of May next at 3.0 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The Meeting terminated at 5.0 p.m.

Chairman

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### **A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 1925, at 3.0 p.m.**

Mr. D.W. Freshfield in the Chair

Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart

Colonel Needham

Mr. James Card

„ Robert Kenward

„ Edward Martin

„ William Mitchell

„ Thomas Osborne

In the absence of the Chairman Mr. Freshfield is voted into the Chair.

The Clerk explains that this Meeting was postponed by the Chairman in consequence of their being no business requiring attention.

Letters are read from Mr. Maryon – Wilson, Sir Stanley Colville and Mr. Eckstein explaining their absence.

The Clerk reports that Mr. Follett has gone through a serious operation in London and has now been brought home to Crowborough and that Mrs. Follett reports that he is making satisfactory progress.

It is resolved that the Board do convey to her their best wishes for his complete recovery.

### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed.

### **Fire Committee**

The Fire Committee report that they engaged two men Peter Tullett and William Stevens to assist the Rangers in extinguishing and detecting fires for six weeks ending 17<sup>th</sup> May last each at 45/- per week and the Clerk has paid their

salaries amounting together to £ 27: 0: 0  
workman's insurance                      2: 6  
27: 2: 6

Paid to men who gave great  
Assistance in extinguishing fires: 13: 0  
£ 27: 15: 6

### **Protection and Improvement Fund**

Ranger Brown states that Tullett was of great assistance in extinguishing fires but was unable to detect any incendiary. It is resolved that the acts and proceedings of the Committee as reported be approved and that the amount expended be repaid to the Clerk out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Fire Precautions**

It is resolved that the question of what precautions shall be taken next Spring to cope with Forest fires be taken into consideration at the Meeting of the Board held before the next Annual Commoners Meeting.

### **Acknowledgements**

The Clerk produces a list of the Acknowledgements now payable for licenses, and explains that it is practically impossible to frame a scale for future licenses as the circumstances of each case vary enormously.

### **Vincent's Encampment**

The Clerk reports that he has received several complaints that Mrs. Vincent's encampment has not been removed from the Forest and that it is a great annoyance to the neighbours.

Ranger Kirby reports that at his request the Sanitary Inspector is keeping the encampment under observation and has caused the ground to be purified. Ranger Kirby states that he has reportedly summoned her before the Uckfield Bench who have convicted and fined her small amounts which have been paid, but that she still remains.

It is resolved that the Ranger impress on the Uckfield Bench tomorrow the serious position and press for a substantial fine which will induce the woman to remove and that should any further summons become necessary the Clerk or his partner do attend the Court to conduct the case and put the position fully before the Justices.

The Forest Row Committee present the following Report which is read and it is resolved that it be entered on the Minutes. It is as follows:

The Committee met at Wych Cross Place on April 28<sup>th</sup> 1925. Present. The Chairman, Admirable The Honourable Sir S. Colville, Colonel Needham, Mr. Martin.

### **Scouts Camp**

The Chairman reported he had granted leave to the Hartfield Boy Scouts to camp in the disused stonepit near High Hollies on weekends on the usual conditions until further notice.

## **Gypsies**

He called attention to the number of gypsies on the Forest and their depredations. He had ordered the high furze in which they camped against Prestridge Warren and opposite Birch Grove Lodge to be cut down. The Police had been requested to be more careful in seeing that they had their names and addresses on their carts. The gypsies had taken to alleging illness or on approaching birth as grounds for obtaining a Doctor's Certificate they could not move off the Forest. Local Medical men had been asked to be careful not to grant such certificate too readily.

## **Footbridge Below Water Farm Repair**

The Committee resolved it was desirable to mend the footbridge below Water Farm and suggested they might be authorized to spend a sum not exceeding £ 5 for they purpose half to be contributed by the Golf Club.

## **Miss Sturdy Complaint**

The Committee had before it complaints from Miss Sturdy of Forest Gate as to the damage done by cattle belonging to Mr. Holmes to the drive to their house and to the public footpath across the Forest from the High Hollies Road to the Church and Post Office. The latter is now practically impossible. The Committee suggests that, failing any agreement being come to by which the cows from the farm should be driven on to the Forest by the gap North of Miss Sturdy's land, it would be expedient for the Board to obtain an estimate for the cost of fencing off the footpath so as to render it possible at all seasons and if the inhabitants of Colemans Hatch proved willing to share substantially in the expense to contribute towards it.

The Committee saw no obligation to Miss Sturdy widening at her own expense the road to her house where it is now impossible for two carriages to pass.

## **Memorial On Site Of Forest Row Camp**

With reference to preliminary suggestions made by Colonel Brownlow as to erecting or placing some memorial on the site of the Forest Row Camp, the Committee considered the Board might be disposed to authorize the erection on the Forest on a suitable site of a memorial stone.

## **Fires**

The Ranger reported as to the fires in his section of the Forest covering about 29 acres.

D.W. Freshfield

## **County Council Sand**

The Committee also report that the usual supply of sand to the County Council for repair of their roads having been cut off, they authorized the Clerk to give permission to the County Surveyor to take sand for the purpose from Rushey Bottom.

## **Footbridge Below Water Farm Repair – Refuse Notice**

It is resolved that the Forest Row Committee take such steps as they consider necessary for repairing the footbridge below Water Farm and erect a notice board prohibiting the deposit of refuse etc at the Birch Grove Cricket Ground, the whole of the expense incurred in respect of both matters to be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

## **Miss Sturdy's Complaint**

Also that the matters complained of by Miss Sturdy be referred back to the Forest Row Committee to reconsider and make any recommendations they think proper to the next Meeting of the Board.

## **Memorial On Site Of Forest Row Camp**

The Committee report that the matter of erecting a memorial on the site of the Forest Row Camp is at present in abeyance.

## **Bridge Near Rist Wood Repair**

The Clerk submits a letter from the Royal Ashdown Forest Golf Club thanking the Board for its contribution of £ 5 towards their outlay in putting down a culvert in place of the bridge Rist Wood pond, but pressing them to increase their contribution by £ 1: 15: 0 to make up half the cost.

On a motion that the additional contribution be made two voted for it and two against, and the Chairman then gave a casting vote against the proposition, and the Clerk was directed to inform the Club that the Board cannot see its way to increasing its donation.

### **Forest Row Camp Site, Cut Thistles**

It is resolved that the Forest Row Committee be authorized to employ the necessary labour to clear the site of the Forest Row Camp of thistles as last year. Also to erect near Birch Grove a notice board prohibiting the deposit of refuse etc, the expenses in each case to be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Sheep On Forest, History Of (see p \*\*)**

In accordance with the request of the Forest Row Committee the Clerk presents a full report of the past history with regard to sheep turned out on the Forest as recorded in the Minute Books of the Board commencing from July 1893 down to and including the abortive negotiations with Lord Cantelupe recorded on 17<sup>th</sup> October 1896, and he pointed out that where a claim of right is bonafide raised the jurisdiction of the Justices under the Bye Laws is ousted and the Conservators were advised they had no locus standi to take civil proceedings.

### **R.A.F. Golf Club, Motor Stand License**

The Clerk reports that the license to the R.A.F. Golf Club for maintaining a stand for motor cars has been completed.

### **Fords Green Cricket Pitch**

The Clerk reports that as in previous years he granted permission to the Nutley Cricket Club at Fords Green to take turf for the repair of the cricket pitch from such places as Ranger Kirby should select. It is resolved that that the action of the Clerk be approved.

### **Chelwood Corner Notice Board**

The Clerk submits an application from the Solicitors to Mrs. Bibby for permission to erect a notice board of the proposed sale of her property at Chelwood Corner near the road to the West of her property. It is resolved that permission be granted on condition that the board be removed after the sale is effected.

### **Mr. F.K. Chapman, Deposit Of Earth**

Mr. Fitz Roy Keith Chapman owner of Ashdown Place at Highgate having applied for permission to deposit soil he is removing from the property in holes on the Forest. It is resolved that permission be granted him to deposit the earth such holes as Ranger Brown shall point out on condition that he levels the soil and turfs it over to the satisfaction of the Ranger.

### **Miss Morrogh direction board**

The Maresfield Committee recommend that the application of Miss Morrogh of Pleasant Farm Fairwarp for permission to erect a direction board to her property on the Forest beside the Dudleswell road be granted. It is resolved that permission be granted subject to the Character dimensions and position of the board being approved by Ranger Kirby, Miss Morrogh to give a written undertaking to remove the Board if and when required by this Board and to pay an acknowledgement of £ 1 per annum during its continuance.

### **Miss Yolland drain under Forest**

An application is considered from Miss B.F. Yolland of Heather View and her neighbour Miss Lomax for permission to carry a drain under the Forest Land a distance of about 70 yards from Heather View or thereabouts to the property which Miss Lomax has recently purchased from Mr. Inns. It is resolved that (subject to the consent of the Lord) a revocable license be granted for the purpose subject to the usual conditions and the grantee to pay a yearly acknowledgement of 10/- to the Lord and 10/- to the Board.

### **Licenses granted by Rangers**

The Rangers present their lists of licenses granted by them during the past year.

### **Ministry of Health, Annual Return**

The Clerk lays on the table a duplicate of the Annual Return made to the Ministry of Health.

### **Paper litter**

It is resolved that the R.A.F. Golf Club be asked to take such measures as will prevent as far as possible the deposit of wrappers of golf balls and other paper being deposited on the Forest by their members and employee's. It is resolved that Mr. Edward Martin's generous offer to \*\*\*\*\*

### **Forest Row Recreation Ground - Mr. Martin's Additional Seat**

Erect an additional seat on the Recreation Ground at Forest Row be accepted with thanks and he be empowered to erect it.

### **Finance**

The Clerk produces the Bank Books which show that the balances are as follows:

General Account	:£ 100: 9: 3
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger Account :	17: 0: 8
Protection & Improvement Fund:	155: 8: 7

### **Cheques**

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

Herbert Kirby	
Ranger 15 weeks salary a £ 2 to 8 <sup>th</sup> inst.:	30: 0: 0
15 weeks rent of cottage etc:	3: 15: 0
Do employers insurance @ 1/3:	<u>18: 0</u>
	34: 13: 9

William Brown, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger,	
15 weeks salary @ 30/- to 10 <sup>th</sup> inst.:	22: 10: 0

It is resolved that the next Meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September next at 3.0 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The Meeting terminated at 5.0 p.m.

Chairman

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### **A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1925, at 3.0 p.m.**

Mr. Geo. M. Maryon – Wilson in the Chair  
Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley C.J. Colville K.C.B.  
Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart  
Mr. James Card  
„ F.G.J. Eckstein  
„ Robert Kenward  
„ Edward Martin  
„ William. Mitchell  
„ Thomas Osborne

The Clerk reports that Mr. Follett has been sent abroad to recruit after his serious operation.

### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed

### **Forest Row Camp Site Cut Thistles – Protection & Improvement Fund**

The Forest Row Committee report that the thistles on the Forest Row Camp site have been cut at an expense of £ 1: 5: 0. It is resolved that the amount be paid out of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

### **Bridge At Forest Bank - Protection & Improvement Fund**

Ranger Kirby reports that by direction of Sir Francis Champneys be repaired a bridge at Forest Bank and produces a bill of Mr. Gillham for timber supplied for the purpose amounting to 2/6. It is resolved that it be paid out of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

### **Direction Posts**

It is resolved that the whole question of granting licenses for direction posts and the acknowledgements to be paid for same if granted be gone into at the next Meeting of the Board.

Also it is resolved that the Clerk do then submit a list of all direction posts now on Forest land with particulars of the acknowledgements paid for each.

### **Miss Morrogh Direction Post**

A letter is read from Miss Morrogh declining to pay £ 1 a year for a license to erect the direction board but offering to pay down £ 1: 1: 0 once and for all. It is resolved that she be informed that the Board will be going into the whole subject of direction posts at their next Meeting.

### **Miss Yolland**

A letter is read from Miss Yolland that she is unable to pay the suggested acknowledgement of £ 1 per annum for carrying a drain pipe across the Forest. It is resolved that the Board cannot alter its decision arrived at the last Meeting.

### **R.A.F. Golf Club – Waste Paper**

A letter is read from the Secretary of the Forest Row Golf Club stating they will do their best to prevent paper being scattered on the Forest.

### **Mrs. Vincent Encampment**

The Clerk reports that on the 4<sup>th</sup> June last Mrs. Vincent was convicted at the Uckfield Bench and fined 7/6 inclusive. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> July Mr. Fovargue attended on a fresh summons when Mrs. Vincent was fined £ 1 and 10/6 costs. On the 9<sup>th</sup> July she moved to another spot on the Forest. On the 22<sup>nd</sup> July a distress warrant was issued for fine and costs but the Police retained no effects. On the 20<sup>th</sup> July Mr. Fovargue attended before the Bench and applied for a committal for non-payment of the fine and costs when the Bench sentenced her to one day's imprisonment which meant her release when the Court rose and at the same Court she was again convicted and fined £ 2 and 10/6 costs. A Warrant has been issued to recover these amounts but the Police report that Mrs. Vincent is at present away hop picking. Bitter complaints are made by adjacent owners of the annoyance arising from her encampment. Mr. Fovargue states that since the last Meeting he has been in communication with the Sanitary Surveyor and Dr. Stott the Medical Officer and that they have promised to do what they can in the matter.

It is resolved that the Clerk be authorized not to apply for a commitment if the distress is ineffective and to proceed against the husband if the facts justify it.

### **Finance**

The Bank Pass Books are produced showing the following balances

General account	£ 194 : 16 : 0
Second Ranger account	29 : 19 : 2
Protection & Improvement Fund	175 : 5 : 6

### **Lloyd, W.G. License to deposit materials**

The Clerk reports that on 23<sup>rd</sup> July last he granted a license to W.G. Lloyd of Plawhatch on payments of a fee of 10/- for the temporary deposit of building material on the Forest outside Forest Lodge during alterations to Miss. Arbuthnot's house, and Ranger Brown reports that the work has been completed, all materials removed and the Forest surface properly restored.

### **Mr. Hayley Morriss application for Road.**

An application on behalf of Mr. Hayley Morriss the owner of Pippingford for permission to make and maintain a new road over Forest land into Pippingford is considered and Mr. Morriss' bailiff attends and gives explanations.

It is resolved that a revocable license be granted to Mr. Morriss subject to the usual conditions to make and maintain a carriage road of 14 feet in width with proper drainage for a distance of about 170 yards over the existing cart track which starts from the Forest Row to Nutley main road a little South East of the present Lodge entrance to Pippingford Park and runs nearly parallel to the boundary of Lime Kiln Wood with a curve at the South East end into Lime Kiln wood, on condition that Mr. Morriss pays a yearly acknowledgement of £1 to the Lord and £ 1 to the Conservators during the continuance of the license and the Clerk's proper charges for preparing the license and counterpart.

### **Forest Row Committee Report**

The Forest Row Committee present the following report which is read and it is resolved that it be entered on the minutes. It is as follows :-

The Forest Row Committee met at Woodcote (Mr.Martin's) at 11 a.m. on July 20<sup>th</sup>.  
Present The Chairman Admiral The Honble Sir S.Colville, Colonel Needham,  
Mr. E. Martin.

### **Scouts' Camp**

The Chairman reported that he had granted leave to the 9<sup>th</sup> Brighton Boy Scouts to camp on the Forest from the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> August under the usual conditions.

### **Major Bond, consent to tar road.**

That after consultation with Col. Needham and Mr. Martin leave had been given to Mr. Bond to tar the road branching from the Golf Club House road to his house.

### **Roadside stalls to be removed**

That various attempts having been made by cottagers and others to set up stalls for the sale of mineral waters etc. on the Forest beside the road from Forest Row to Nutley he had, after reference to the Clerk, and the map of the Forest, instructed the Ranger to remove such stalls or ambulatory sheds as contrary to the Byelaws.

### **Legs Heath Farm direction post**

An application was considered from the Purchaser of Legs Heath Farm for leave to put up a signpost at the cross roads near the Goat" indicating the direction to Coldharbour Manor and Legs Heath Farm".

### **Fix fee in such cases**

The Committee was of opinion that the application should be granted. It suggests that the fee should not exceed an annual acknowledgement of 5/- and further, that it is desirable that in the future the fee in such cases should be a fixed one. In the past in several cases, it is believed, no fee was charged and it considers £ 1 as suggested by the Clerk, excessive. The work 'Manor' might be better omitted, unless there is some historical justification for its use.

### **Cherry Craft application to make carriage drive**

An application from the recent purchaser of Cherry Craft Highgate for permission to make a gravelled sweep to his front door and to remove the turf for this purpose was considered (see Plan).

The Committee was of opinion that the case was not one in which the Board should sanction any encroachment on the Forest. The distance from the existing road to the gate of Cherry Craft was only 30 to 35 feet and the alleged inconvenience of crossing grass to this extent could be fully met by the making of a direct footpath about 3 feet wide, either stoned or gravelled. This the Committee would approve if asked for.

### Damage by cows to road & footpath at Shepherd's Gate

### **Miss Sturdy, damage to road**

The Committee had before it a number of letters from the ladies living at Shepherds Gate and from Sir.G.Collier of Water Farm on this subject. Also an estimate from Messrs. Waters as to the cost of making good the paths and preventing further damage. Three concurrent proposals were before it :

- (1) Posts and movable rail to prevent the cows from loitering on the road to Shepherd's gate
- (2) That the path under Miss. Hale's hedge should be reconstructed for a distance of about 100 yards above the road, where it is now impassable
- (3) That the stepping stones in the green lane between Shepherd's Gate and Little Shepherds should be replaced.

The Committee recommend that Miss. Sturdy be authorised to erect posts and a rail, as agreed by her with Mr. Holmes the cow owner; the work to be done at her own expense.

The Committee further recommend that Miss Hale should be called on to cut back her hedge, also to have the ditch under it drained and that the path should be repaired substantially in the damaged portion with drains where needful.

## Stepping stones near Shepherds Gate

That the stepping stones in the lane East of shepherd's Gate be made good and that the Board should contribute to the cost of carrying out the two last mentioned works.

The Committee consider that the work would be carried out most efficiently and economically by a small local Committee of Residents and Contributors.

They recommend that in the event of such a Committee being formed the Board should contribute half of the cost provided that their contribution should in no case exceed £ 25 and provided also that the work is carried out to the satisfaction of the Board (see map).

## Ladies' Golf Club authorized works

The Committee inspected the extensive work being carried out in the extension of No.2 green of the Ladies Golf Course. This work had been begun in March last without any reference to or sanction by the Board. It was now in a half completed state and no steps were being taken at the moment. The Committee felt that in view of the injury done to the Forest it was desirable that immediate action should be taken and they requested the Chairman to forward the draft letter annexed to the Clerk with instructions to send it in his own name to the Secretary of the Ladies Golf Club.

Douglas W. Freshfield.

It is resolved that the application of the owner of Leggs Heath Farm for leave to erect a sign post be deferred till the next meeting.

### Miss Sturdy's Complaint - Pro & Imp Fund

That the proposals for work and improvements at Shepherd's Gate be referred back to the Forest Row Committee with a view to the appointment of a local Committee to deal with them, and that this Board do contribute from the protection and Improvement Fund one half of the cost provided that such half does not exceed £. 25.

That subject as above the acts proceedings and recommendations of the Committee be approved and confirmed.

# Post Office, application for underground telephone cable at Tompsetts Bank.

An application from the Post Master General (accompanied by a plan) for consent to laying down an underground cable under Forest land from the road adjoining the Ashdown Forest Hotel at Tompsetts Bank to Cherry Croft is considered and it is resolved that Clerk be authorised to sign the consent subject to the payment of 1/- a year to the Lord as owner of the soil.

## Cheques

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows

Herbert Kirby - Ranger - 14 weeks

Salary at £, 2 to 14 <sup>th</sup> inst	£, 28 : 0 : 0
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Do 14 weeks house rent to

Ditto	3 : 10 : 0
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Do Employers Insurance	
Ditto	17 : 6
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	32 : 27 : 6

William Brown 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger 14 weeks	
Salary at 30/- to 14 <sup>th</sup> inst	24 : -- : --
Ed. Stanford Ltd for Ordnance maps	3 : 9 : 4
W.A. Raper half year's salary due 31 <sup>st</sup>	
June, 1925	75 : -- : --

On the Protection and Improvement Fund :-

Expenses of Fire Committee last	
Spring	£ 27 : 15 : 6
Clearing Forest Row Camp site	1 : 5 : 0
Rails for bridge at Forest Bank	
Nutley	2 : 6
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	£ 29 : 3 : ---

It is resolved that the next Meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> day of November next at 3.0 p.m or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The Meeting terminated at 5.0 p.m.  
Chairman

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**A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn at Nutley on Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 1925 at 2.30 p.m.**

Mr. Geo. M. Maryon - Wilson in the Chair  
 Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart  
 Colonel Needham  
 Mr. F.G.J. Ecclestein  
 „ D.W.Freshfield  
 „ Robert Kenward  
 „ Edward Martin  
 „ William Mitchell

A letter is read from Sir Stanley Colville explaining his absence

**Minutes**

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed. A letter is read from Mr. W.W. Follett resigning the office of a Conservator on account of ill health.

It is resolved that having regards to his long and very valuable advices which the Board will greatly miss they accept his resignation with extreme regret. They sincerely hope that residence abroad will completely restore his health and that he will be able to rejoin the Board at some future time.

**Finance**

The Bank Pass books are produced allowing the following balances

General Account	£ 114 . 2 . 9
Second Ranger Account	25 . 1 . 8
Pro.& Imp.Fund	147 . 2 . 5

### **Direction posts particulars of**

The Rangers report that the following are the direction posts now on the Forest seven in all namely :-

Old Lodge Entrance, Vetchery Road to Chelwood Vetchery, Funs Gate, Private road to The Warren Estate, Near Fairways Recreation Ground directing To Beacon, To Hermitage, To Croft Near the Goat to Cripp's Corner. To the Ridge at Hartfield. To Tile Lodge.

The Clerk reports that the only two posts he was aware of are that to the Ridge for which The Honble High Godley pays 1/- per annum, and the direction post to Old Lodge, which, at the request of Muriel, Countess De La Warr, was authorised without payment.

### **Future Charge direction posts**

It is resolved that in all future cases where direction posts are authorised an Annual charge of 2/6 be made

### **Leggs Heath direction post**

Also that the application of Leggs Heath Farm Limited for sanction for a direction post to the Farm and of Mr. Chapman to erect a post adjoining the Wych Cross Road directing to Ashdown Place and of the Ladies' Golf Club to erect a post directing to their Club House be granted subject in each case to the annual payment of 2/6, the positions to be approved by the Forest Row Committee.

The Forest Row Committee present the following report which is read and it is resolved that it is entered on the Minutes. It is as follows:-

The Committee met at 11 am on November 14<sup>th</sup> at Mr. E. Martin's.  
Present the Chairman Mr. D. Freshfield, Col. Needham and Mr. Martin.

### **Ladies Golf Club Works**

The Committee had before it the correspondence relative to the work done last summer on the Ladies Golf Course. They considered that the question that had arisen was due to the vagueness of the plan accompanying the application to alter the Ladies course made in October 1922 and the delay in carrying out the work; and they further noted with satisfaction the assurance given in his letter of July 29<sup>th</sup> last by the Secretary of the Ashdown Forest Golf Club that his Club and the Ladies Golf Club both recognized that no alterations could be made in their respective courses without the specific sanction of the Board of Conservators.

### **Water Farm bridge**

The Committee instructed the Ranger to carry out the needful repairs to the bridge over the brook below Water Farm at a cost not exceeding £ 2: 10: 0

### **Mr Chapman direction board**

The Committee received an application from Mr. Chapman of Ashdown Place for leave to erect a signpost beside the Lewes high road with an indication "To Ashdown Place." The Committee recommend this should be allowed.

### **Memorial to Great War**

The Committee received an application from Col. Brownlow on behalf of the subscribers to a Memorial Stone to be placed on the site of the Yeomanry and Artillery Camp, where many thousands of men were trained during the Great Wars for permission to erect the stone ( a wooden model of which has been set up) on a spot about halfway between Ashdown Place and the Green Toll and to enclose should it prove expedient, a space not more than fifteen feet square with a low railing.

### **Miss. Sturdy & others – repairs**

The Committee decided to instruct the Clerk to communicate to Miss Sturdy of Shepherd's Gate the minute of the Board with regard to the repair of footpaths on the Forest and to ask her to take steps to put the Board's Offer before the other residents at Coleman's Hatch interested.

## Memorial

It is resolved that this Board will make no objection to the erection of the proposed memorial with railing if required subject to the consent of the Lord being obtained and the site on which it is to be erected and other details to be approved by the Forest Row Committee.

Also that the other acts proceedings and recommendations of the Forest Row Committee as reported be approved and acted upon.

## Road Materials East Sussex County Counsel application

The East Sussex County Council having applied for the consent of the Board to their taking from the Forest for repair of their roads during the year ending 25<sup>th</sup> March 1927 the same quantity of stone and gravel and from the same places as in several years past. It is resolved that consent be granted subject to the same conditions as in past years.

## Mr. Vincent

Ranger Kirby reports that Mrs. Vincent and not her husband being the owner of the tent, he issued a fresh summons against her which was heard on the 8<sup>th</sup> October last when she was again convicted by the Uckfield Bench for suffering her tent to remain on the Forest and was fined £ 2 and 10/6 costs, that on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November last Mrs. Vincent and her children went into Uckfield Work-house, That the two last fines and costs not having been paid, Mrs Vincent was on the 14<sup>th</sup> inst. arrested by the Police and imprisoned for 14 days, being 7 days in respect of each fine and costs. Ranger Kirby further states that the husband has hired a plot of lands and sought an Army \*\*\* which he is meeting, and that the family will move probably move off the Forest.

## Mr. J.B. Jarvis deposit

Ranger Kirby reports that Mr. J.B. Jarvis of Little Gassons Duddleswell, has deposited on the Forest adjoining his property a Brake stack, a Chicken house and a Motor lorry. It is resolved that the Clerk call upon him to remove same.

## Litter licenses, Mr.Percy Muggeridge alleged encroachment

Ranger Brown reports that he has granted one or two litter licenses and removed one or two gipsies since the last meeting and he reports an alleged encroachment by Mr. Percy Muggeridge of Richyard Farm. It is resolved that the Forest Row Committee be requested to view the alleged encroachment and report thereon to the board.

## Lord Castlestewart disrepair of road

A letter is read from Lord Castlestewart's Secretary with reference to the state of disrepair of the road leading past the Marlpits Farm up to the Windmill. It is resolved that the Clerk reply that the Conservators are not responsible for the repair of roads on the Forest, and that it would appear to be a matter for the adjoining occupiers to arrange.

## Licensists small holders on the Forest

On the application of Ranger Kirby, it is resolved that the Rangers be authorised to grant to smallholders within the Forest licenses to take as much litter as they can use on their holdings until there shall be any shortage of litter for the Commoners.

## Cheques

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows :-

Herbert Kirby, Ranger

10 weeks salary @ 2 to 23 <sup>rd</sup> inst	£	20 :	0 :	0
Do house rent @ 5/-		2 :	10 :	0
Do Employers Insurance @ 1/3		12 :	6	23 : 2 : 6

William Brown, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger

10 weeks salary @ 30/= to 23 <sup>rd</sup> inst	15 :	0 :	0
Edward Stanford Ltd for Ordnance Map	1 :	9 :	6

and that the following bill be paid out of the  
Protection and Improvement Fund

H & B. Waters, repairs to notice boards	10 :	4 :	0
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It is resolved that the next Meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December next immediately after the Annual Meeting of the Commoners which will be held at 11.0 a.m.

The Meeting terminated at 3.30 p.m.  
Chairman

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**A Meeting of the Fire Committee duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn on Wednesday, the 18<sup>th</sup> November, 1925 at 3.30 p.m.**

Mr. Geo M. Maryon – Wilson in the Chair

„ D.W. Freshfield

„ Robert Kenward

Sir Stanley Colville was unavoidably absent.

Ranger Kirby reports that not half so much litter is now cut by the Commoners as formerly.

Ranger Brown reports that not a third as much litter is now cut as when he first became Ranger.

In the course of a long discussion, the various methods of dealing with the situation were discussed, including the suggestion that lanes be cut dividing up the areas of growth and that the litter be burnt under the direction of the Board.

It is resolved that each Ranger do report fully what areas they suggest should be cut, their approximate acreages what and where lanes should be cut, what help each would require to control the burning, if burning should be decided on, and the probable amount of labour each would require to control the burning and the cost thereof, and to make any suggestions they think desirable. Their reports to be delivered to the Clerk before the 10<sup>th</sup> December next so that he may at once furnish copies to each member of the Committee.

The Committee direct the Clerk to add to the Notices convening the approaching Commoners' Meeting the words "to consider as to dealing with the excessive undergrowth on the Forest."

The Clerk is directed to communicate with Lord De La Warr's representative on the Board, with a view to obtaining his Lordship's consent to burning the undergrowth if burning should be considered the best method.

The Committee then adjoins till Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> December next at 2.30 p.m. at the Nutley Inn, when the Rangers reports will be considered.

**The Annual Meeting of the Commoners interested in Ashdown Forest duly convened by the Clerk by notice on the principal door of the Church of each of the Parishes and Ecclesiastical Districts into which the Forest extends by advertisements in two newspapers circulating in the neighbourhood to wit "The Sussex Express" and "The Sussex Daily News" at least fourteen days before this date and by notice sent by post to each Commoner, and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley on Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 1925 at eleven o'clock of the forenoon.**

Present

Mr. D.W. Freshfield in the Chair

„ Geo M. Maryon Wilson

Sir Francis Champneys Bart

Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville GCB

Major General \*\*\*

Major Bond

Mr. James Card

Mrs. Edith M. Curtis

Mr. F.G.J. Eckstein

„ Alfred Faber

„ Robert Kenward  
„ Edward Martin  
„ William Mitchell  
„ Thomas Osborne

Miss Page

Mr. Pankhurst

„ A. J. Ridley  
„ H. J. Ridley  
„ John Rowe

### **Chairman Election Of Notices Convening Meeting**

Mr. D.W. Freshfield having been chosen Chairman and taken the Chair the Clerk reads the notice convening the Meeting and reports the due publication and notice thereof as above mentioned.

### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last Meeting of Commoners are then read and confirmed.

### **Election Of Conservators**

The Clerk reports that the Conservators who retire by rotation on the 31<sup>st</sup> instant are Mr. James Card, Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley C.J. Colville GCB \*\* Mr. Robert Kenward and Mr. George Maryon Maryon Wilson and that a vacancy has occurred in consequence of the resignation of Mr. Witham Webb Spencer Follett.

The Chairman then invites nominations to fill the vacancies occasioned by the retirement by rotation of the four Conservators.

It is proposed by Mr. Martin seconded by Mr. Kenward that Mr. James Card be reelected a Conservator.

It is proposed by Sir Francis H. Champneys seconded by Mr. Eckstein that Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley C. J. Colville be reelected a Conservator.

It is proposed by Mr. Maryon Wilson seconded by Mr. Martin that Mr. Robert Kenward be reelected a Conservator.

It is proposed by Sir Stanley Colville seconded by Sir Francis H. Champneys that Mr. George Maryon Maryon - Wilson be reelected a Conservator.

No other Commoner having been proposed to fill the first mentioned four vacancies the Chairman declares the above four gentlemen duly elected Conservators for the ensuing three years ending the 31<sup>st</sup> December 1928.

The Chairman then invites nominations to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. W.W. S. Follett.

It is proposed by Mr. G.M. Maryon – Wilson, seconded by Mr. Kenward that Mr. George Demaine Haslam be elected a Conservator to fill the vacancy.

No other Commoner being proposed to fill this vacancy the Chairman declares Mr. George Demaine Haslam duly elected a Conservator for the ensuing year.

The Gentlemen so elected having thanked the Commoners for electing them.

### **Excessive Undergrowth Dealing With To Avoid Fires**

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson states that owing to so many Commoners having in recent years ceased to exercise the right to cut brakes and litter on the Forest, or having nearly ceased to do so, the undergrowth has very largely extended, and with it the danger that when fire occur large areas may be devastated, young trees destroyed and private property endangered.

The Board of Conservators have taken various precautions in the past, but the position has now become as serious that they feel they should take counsel with the Commoners how best to deal with the situation. They propose early in the coming Spring to divide up portions of the undergrowth into Clerks by cutting lane, and to burn the blocks under proper supervision. He then explains the various areas in the Northern part of the Forest, altogether about 70 ½ acres, \*\*\* that it is proposed to divide up and \*\*\* states that the Board of Conservators will be glad to receive and consider any other suggestions for dealing effectually with the situation.

He explains that the expenses incurred in the past in taking precautions against fire as well as those to be taken in the coming Spring, do not come out of the Forest Rates, but are provided out of another Fund for the protection and improvement of the Forest, and he strongly emphasizes the point that if fires could be altogether stopped, the money hitherto expended, some £50 a year, in protective measures would be available for carrying out improvements beneficial to the Foresters and the Commoners.

Mr. Wilson then reminds all owners and occupiers of property bounded by the Forest, that for some years past an arrangement has existed by which, on application to the Lord's representative, Mr. W.E. Nicholson of Lewes, they can obtain a license to cut the undergrowth outside their borders and so reduce the risk of fires extending into their properties and he desired to commend this to their attention.

Finally he repeated that the Board of Conservators will be glad to receive consider any suggestion the Commoners can make as to dealing with the present situation.

The Clerk being asked what is the definition of undergrowth states that it is gorse and heather that is too coarse to be cut with a litter \*\*\*.

Mr. H. J. Ridley states that the Forest is not now used by the Commoners to the extent of one fortified part of the user years ago. This is disputed by two or three of the Commoners. He suggests that the Forest should be fenced off from the various roads crossing it in order to prevent injury by the traffic to Commoners cattle.

Mr. Rowe suggests that persons who are not Commoners might be invited to cut the undergrowth.

Mr. A.J. Ridley supports this suggestion, and expresses regret that \*\*\*\* which are preserved when the Lord's \*\*\*\*\* are subsequently destroyed by \*\*\*\* persons instead of being permitted to grow up as \*\*\*\* to the Forest.

Mr. Maryon – Wilson then takes the \*\*\* of the Meeting by moving the following resolutions.

That subject to the sanction of the Lord, the proposals of the Board of Conservators for cutting the undergrowth into blocks and burning it under the control of the Board be approved.

That subject to the sanction of the Lord annual licenses be granted to Commoners and non – Commoners to cut undergrowth on the Forest under the control of the Board.

These proposals being seconded, are separately put and each is carried, Mr. H. J. Ridley alone voting against.

Mr. H. J. Ridley draws attention to the bad condition of the Boring Wheel Mill Road for about 50 yards at the upper end. The Chairman promises that this matter shall be brought to the notice of the Board.

On the motion of Admiral Sir Stanley Colville a vote of thanks is accorded to the Chairman for the able and \*\*\*\*\* way in which he has conducted the business of the Meeting.

Chairman

**A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn at Nutley on Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December 1925 at 12:30 p.m.**

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson in the Chair

Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville GCB

Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart

Mr. James Card

„ F.G.J. Eckstein

Mr. D.W. Freshfield

„ George Demaine Haslam

„ Robert Kenward

„ Edward Martin

„ William Mitchell

„ Thomas Osborne

**Minutes**

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed.

**Election Of Conservators**

The Clerk produces the following Certificate from the Chairman of the Commoners' Meeting held this morning which is read and it is resolved that it be entered on the Minutes namely:

To Mr. W.A. Raper,

Clerk to the Conservators of Ashdown Forest

As Chairman of the Meeting of Commoners duly convened and held this day at the Nutley Inn, Nutley for the purpose of electing four Conservators in the place of those who retire from Office by rotation on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December instant, and of Mr. William Webb Spencer Follett who has resigned, I hereby intimate to you that at the said Meeting Mr. James Card, Admiral the Honble Sir Stanley Colville GCB, Mr. Robert Kenward and Mr. George Maryon Maryon – Wilson were elected Conservators for the ensuing three years and Mr. George Demaine Haslam was elected a Conservator in the place of the said Mr. William Webb Spencer Follett for the ensuing year.

Dated the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 1925

Douglas W. Freshfield

Chairman

**Maresfield Committee Addition**

It is resolved that Mr. George Demaine Haslam be elected a member of the Maresfield Committee.

**Commoners Meeting - Report Of**

Mr. Freshfield, as Chairman of the Commoners' Meeting presents the Minutes of the Meeting (see page 101 ante ) for the information of the Board.

**Burning Undergrowth**

It is resolved that the Resolutions passed at the Commoners' Meeting with reference to the blocking out and burning undergrowth on the Forest be taken into consideration at the next Meeting of this Board, and that in a meanwhile the Clerk submit copies of the Resolutions to the Lord's Representative, Mr. Nicholson.

**Boringwheel Mill Road Repair**

Also that it be referred to the Maresfield Committee to \*\*\*\* the Road at the Boringwheel Mill Pond and to report to the next Meeting of the Board what work, if any, they recommend be done and the probable cost, and whether any assistance in cartage or otherwise is likely to be obtained from those who use the Road.

### **Miss Shute & Others**

The Forest Row Committee report what work is proper to be carried out at Shepherds Gate as mentioned in their report to the Board Meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> September last, and it is resolved that it be left to the Committee to approve such works as may be decided on and to report to the Board when their contribution is required.

They also report that it is not proposed to replace the stepping stones in the lane East of Shepherds Gate.

### **District Road Proposed Widening**

Mr. Freshfield draws the attention of the Board to a Scheme which is reported the East Grinstead Rural District Council have in contemplation for widening the road over the Forest from Colemans Hatch to Wych Cross and thence to the Goat. It is resolved that the Clerk communicate with the District Council and point out that such a scheme cannot be carried out without the consent of this Board.

### **Shalesbrook Cart Track**

Attention having been drawn by Mr. James Card to the bad condition of the east road at Shelsbrook for about 100 yards. It is resolved that it referred to the Forest Row Committee to take such action as they consider necessary expending a sum not exceeding £ 10 to be provided out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Rangers As Lord's Reeves**

On the application of Mr. W.E. Nicholson it is resolved that the Rangers be authorized to continue to act as the Reeves of the Lord of the Manor for the coming year.

### **Financial Statement**

The Bank Pass Books are produced showing the following balances:

General Account:	90: 3: 3
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger Account:	11: 7: 2
Protection & Improvement Fund:	146: 13: 9

### **Rate Required**

The Clerk reports that the Rate made on the 17<sup>th</sup> December last will be exhausted by the next Meeting.

It is resolved that notice be given on the Agenda for the next Meeting to make a new Rate and that the Clerk prepare the necessary documents for the purpose.

### **Audit Committee**

It is resolved that Mr. Robert Kenward and Mr. George Demaine Haslam be appointed a Committee to audit the accounts of the Conservancy for the current year and to report.

### **Mr. J. B. Jarvis Brake Stack**

Ranger Kirby having reported that Mr. J.B. Jarvis has put up a brake stack on the Forest outside his property at the Beacon at Duddleswell, and on its being pointed out to him that it is a breach of Bye Law \*, having applied for permission to allow it to remain until used. It is resolved that permission be granted to him to retain it for six months on the understanding that it is removed by that time, and that he does not erect another.

### **Cheques**

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

#### Herbert Kirby

5 weeks salary as Ranger @£ 2 to the 28 <sup>th</sup> inst:	£ 10: 0: 0
Do House Rent @ 5/-:	1: 5: 0
Do Employers Insurance @ 1/3:	6: 3
Postages For the Year:	<u>1: 4: 3</u>
	12: 15: 6
William Brown	12:15:6



5 weeks' salary as Ranger to 28<sup>th</sup> inst @ 30/-: 7: 10: 0  
Do                      Repairs to bicycle: 3: 7: 10  
10: 17: 10  
Clerk, Half year's salary:                      75: - -

It is resolved that the next Meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> day of February next at 2:0 p.m. on such other date as the Chairman may fix.

### **Chairman Thanks To**

On the motion of Mr. Martin seconded by Sir Stanley Colville, it is unanimously resolved that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to the Chairman for his valuable services during the past year with the hope that he may be spared for many years to continue the duties of the Chair.

The Meeting terminated at 1.0. p.m.  
Chairman

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## **A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn at Nutley on Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March 1926 at 2.0 p.m.**

Mr. Geo. M. Maryon – Wilson in the Chair  
Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville GCB  
Colonel Needham  
Mr. James Card  
„ D.W. Freshfield  
„ George Demaine Haslam  
„ Robert Kenward  
Mr. Edward Martin  
„ William Mitchell  
„ Thomas Osborne

### **Election Of Chairman**

On the motion of Sir Stanley Colville seconded by Mr. Kenward, Mr. George Maryon Maryon – Wilson is unanimously elected Chairman of the Board for the current year.

Mr. Maryon – Wilson thanks the Board for the complement they have paid him in electing him as Chairman for the 26<sup>th</sup> year, and states that if the members will continue to give him their loyal co-operation as in the past, he will use his best endeavours to discharge the duties of the office to their satisfaction.

The Minutes of the last Meeting are then read and confirmed.

### **Election Of Committees**

The following Committees are then appointed.

The Forest Row Committee: Mr. Freshfield, Sir Stanley Colville, Mr. Edward Martin, Colonel Needham and Mr. James Card.

The Maresfield Committee: Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart, Mr. Robert Kenward,                      Mr. G. D. Haslam and Mr. Osborne.

The Fire Committee: The Chairman of the Board, the Chairman of each of the District Committees, Sir Stanley Colville and Mr. Kenward with power to co-opt one additional member.

### **Fire - Protection From**

The Clerk reads the Minutes of the Meeting of the Fire Committee held on the 18<sup>th</sup> December last, the Minutes of the proceedings at the Commoners' Meeting and at the Meeting of the Board both held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> December last as far as they relate to the steps to be taken to prevent and extinguish Forest fires, and reports that he has received a letter from Mr. W.E. Nicholson conveying the consent of Lord De La Warr to the proposed cutting lanes and burning areas under proper control.

### **Protection and Improvement Fund**

On the motion of the Chairman it is resolved that the Fire Committee be empowered to carry out the proposals and recommendations in relation thereto at a cost not to exceed £85 to be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **J.B. Jarvis, Licenses To Repair Cart Track And To Keep A Brake Stack On Forest**

Mr. J. Bradford Jarvis of Little Gassons, Duddleswell, attends and applies for the consent of the Board to his repairing the cart track of about 180 yards in length crossing from the Duddleswell main road to his property Nod. 652 on Ordnance Map, so as to make it possible for the passage of a motor car.

He also applies for permission to keep a small stack of brakes or litter about 10 feet by 8 feet on land adjacent to the boundary of his property Nod. 668 on the Ordnance Map.

It is resolved that he be granted a revocable license to repair and keep repaired the cart track of 9 feet on yards \*\*\*\*\* water table on the usual conditions \*\* paying a yearly acknowledgement of 5/- as long as it remains unrevoked.

Also that he be granted a revocable license to keep a stack of brakes or litter not exceeding the dimensions above mentioned subject to the necessary conditions, he paying a yearly acknowledgement of 2/- as long as it remains unrevoked.

And he to pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of the Clerk in the preparation of the licenses and the stamp duties.

### **District Road Proposed Widening**

The Clerk reports that he has received a reply from the East Grinstead Rural District Council stating that if they decide to proceed with the scheme of widening and improving the road from Coleman's Hatch via Wych Cross to the Goat, an application will be made to this Board for its consent.

### **Repair Of Road By Nutley School**

Colonel Loftus of Nutley Court House having written asking the Board's help to mend the road which runs past the Nutley School House on to the Forest. It is Resolved that he be informed that the Board will be prepared to consider the matter when a proper scheme is submitted to them with particulars of probable cost.

### **Jas. Waters & Son Temporary Deposit Of Building Materials**

Messrs Jas. Waters & Son, who are building a cottage at Spring Garden Farm having applied for permission to deposit buildings materials on Forest land adjoining on the West side of the Duddleswell main road opposite the site of the proposed cottage. It is Resolved that a license be granted to them on the usual terms.

### **Mrs. M. Osborne Direction Board**

The Forest Row Committee report that Mrs. Mary Osborne of Shepherds Well has applied for permission to erect a small sign or direction post at the end of the road leading to her house inscribed "Private Road to Shepherds Well, Shepherds Bank and Old Well Cottage and they recommend that permission be granted. It is resolved that a license be granted to Mrs. Osborne on the usual terms subject to the dimensions and position of the board being approved by the Ranger.

### **Shalesbrook Cart Track**

A letter is read from Major Ward on behalf of the Royal Ashdown Forest Golf Club inviting the assistance of the Board in improving a road at Shalesbrook. It is resolved that the letter be referred to the Forest Row Committee to whom the matter was referred at the last Meeting and that it be pointed out to Major Ward that Forest gravel being the property of Lord De La Warr the Board have no power to authorize its use.

### **Maresfield Committee**

The Maresfield Committee report that Ranger Kirby has filled in the ruts in the Boring Wheel road and that appears to be all that is necessary.

### **Audit**

The Audit Committee present the following Report which is read and it is Resolved that it be entered on the Minutes namely:

To the Conservators of Ashdown Forest, Your Audit Committee have today examined (1) The General Account (2) The Second Ranger Account and (3) The Account of the Protection and Improvement Fund, each for the year 1925. We have checked the balances brought forward from last year and the various receipts, and have compared the payments charged to each Account with the Vouchers for same, and have checked the casting of the Accounts and find them all correct. We recommend that the following cheques be drawn to close the accounts for the year 1925, viz,

Account No. 1 – General

The Clerk – Disbursements during year £ 26: 2: 9

Account No. 2 – Second Ranger

The Clerk - Disbursements during year £ 1: 10: 8

The General Account is today overdrawn by £10: 14: 6 but when the above cheque for £26: 2: 9 has been paid the overdraft will amount to £36: 17: 3.

The balances standing to the credit of the other accounts after the above cheques have been paid will be as follows:

The Second Ranger Account: £ 66: 18: 8. The Protection & Improvement Fund: £ 178: 17: 2

The sum of £ 159: 15: 4 Consols and the sum of £ 150 5% War Stock 1929 – 47 represent the investments held on account of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

We found the accounts well kept and correct. A number of Rates are outstanding mainly in respect of parts of the Maresfield which has been divided up owing to resales, but which the Clerk states will be collected with the Rate about to be made.

Dated the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 1926. George D. Haslam Robt Kenward

It is resolved that the report be approved, that the accounts be signed by the Chairman of the Board and that cheques be drawn as recommended in the report. It is also Resolved that the thanks of the Board be accorded to the Committee for their valuable services.

### **Rates**

The Clerk reports that the funds of the Conservancy are now exhausted and having submitted an estimate of the expenditure for the current year amounting to £ 307: 3: 8. It is resolved by Mr. Martin seconded by Mr. Robert Kenward and unanimously resolved that a Rate be made for defraying the expenses of the Conservators in the execution of their duties under the Award made under the Provisions of the Inclosure Acts 1845 to 1878 and the Commons Regulations (Ashdown Forest) Provisional Order Confirmation Act 1885 to be levied on the respective owners of the rights of common upon Ashdown Forest at the rate of Six pence per acre in respect of the acreage of their respective land to which such rights attach which owners and their respective acreages and the sums payable by them respectively are herein after set forth namely:

Name	Address	Acreage	Amount Payable		
Abbey, William Henry Esq	Uckfield House, Uckfield (St. Maresfield ** Estate)	952.1.20	23	16	6
Abbey H.R.B. Esq	Chelwood Corner, Chelwood Gate, E. Grinstead (late Bibby)	92. 1. –	2	6	6
Abbey & sons, Messrs.	Kemp Town Brewery, Seymour Street Brighton	15. - -		11	
Ditto	Ditto (Chequers Inn Fields, Maresfield)	6. 1. 9			
		12. 3. 20		6	6
Allfrey, The Misses	Wilsonhurst, Fletching	2. - -		1	-
Anderson, Mrs. J. N.	Horney Common, Maresfield	- 2. –			6
Appleby, Mr. Horace	Hadlow Down, Uckfield	1. 1. 34		1	-
Appleby, Mr. Herbert J.	Ivy Cottage, Fords Green, **** (late Mr. **** Estate)	12. 1. 8		6	6
Arbuthnot, Miss Dortothy G.	Forest Lodge, Sharpthorne, East Grinstead				
Arbuthnot, W.R. Esq decd. The Repres of		- 2. -			6
Ashdown Forest Ladies Golf Club	per Miss A.A. Homan, Hon. Secy, Forest Row				
		1. 2. -		1	-
Ashdown, Mr. Thomas	Ivy Cottage, Friars Gate, Withyham	1. 2. –		1	-
Avis, Mr. Obadiah	The Hollies, Friars Gate, Withyham				
Avis, Mrs. Jessie & others	North Lodge Laundry, Horney Common, Maresfield, (late Maresfield P. Estate)	9. 2. 23		5	-
		- 1. 16			6
Baines, Miss Isabel	Sunnyside, Hartfield (late Peckham)	3. - -		1	6
Baker, Mr. Charles	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	2. - -		1	-
Baker, Mr. Elias	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	2. - -		1	-
Baker, Mr. William	Chelwood Gate, Uckfield	- 2. –			6
Baldwin, Mr. Thomas	Hartfield Road, Forest Row	2. 2. –		1	6
Ballard & Co. Ltd. Messrs	Southover, Lewes	1. – 15		1	-
Barchard, Messrs A.E & E.E	Campfield Rough, Fairwarp	6. 1. 19		3	6
Bashford Mr. George J.	Berlyn Farm, Quabrook, Forest Row	2. - -		1	-

Beach, Mrs. J.N.	The Wincel, Forest Row	57. 1. 17		9	-
Beamish, Admiral T.P.H.M.P. C.B.R.N.	Chelworth, Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	6. 3. 21			
Beddoes, Major CBW	“Fairholme” Maresfield (late Pitcher)	19. 2. 18		13	6
Ditto	Ditto (late *****)				
Bellairs, A.E. Esqre	Stone House, Forest Row	- 2. 4			6
Bennett, Mr. George	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	2. - -		1	-
Bennett, Mr. J.	Furners Green, Dane Hill, Uckfield	- 1. 14			6
Best, Mr. Enoch	Horney Common, Maresfield (late W.H. Abbey)				
Birch, Fredk J. Peregrine Esq. Deced, The Repres of	c/o Richard Eapps Esq	3. 3. 12		2	-
Birch, Francis J.P. Esq	1189 St Johns Road, Tunbridge Wells		1		
	c/o Messrs Stone Simpson & Mason	30. - -		15	-
Bishop & son Messrs Samuel	Tunbridge Wells	1. 1. —		1	-
Blackie, Alfred Esqre.	Forest Row	2. - -		1	-
Bond, Major W.C. O.B.E.	Ulverstone, Marden’s Hill, Crowborough	- - 20			6
	Chapel Lane, Forest Row (late Watson)				

Bond, Major W.C. O.B.E.	Shalesbrook, Forest Row	3. 2. 26			
Boulton & Dickins, Misses	Forest Row (pt Bank Farm, late G.J. Martin)	1. - -			6
Box, Mr. Richard	Rozell Lodge329,Hainault Road, Leytonstone, E.11	3. - -		1	6
Branwell, Charles Esqn	Bank Farm House, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	1. 2. -		1	-
Bridgwater, Miss	Hooke Cottage, Forest Row	1. - -			6
Brown, Mr. Alfred	Bank Farm cottage, Forest Row	- - 39			
Ditto	Ditto (Addl Pt Bank Fm, late G.J. Martin)	- 2 -			6
Brown, Mr. Alfred J.	Maresfield (late Maresfield Pk Estate)	22. 3. 39		11	6
Brown, Mr. T.G.A	Maresfield Ditto	- 2 -			6
Brown, Mr. Edward	Maresfield Ditto	- - 39			6
Browning, Mr. William	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	9. 2. -		5	-
Bull, The Revd R.A.	St. Andrews, Forest Row	36. 1. 20		18	6
Burgess, Mr. Edward	Cherry Tree Cottage, Dane Hill, Uckfield	6. 3. 4		3	6
Burns, L.B. Esqre	Landhurst Cottage, Hartfield	5. - 14		3	-
Burns Mrs. Clementina	Andrews Bark, Colemans Hatch	3 - -		1	6
Campbell, Mr. & Mrs. John	Courtlands, Nutley (late Mr. Kenward)	39. 2. 1	1	-	-
Carbutt. Mrs.	Parroch Wood Cottage, Colemans Hatch (late Raven)	- 3. 5			6
Card, Mr. Abraham	Tompsetts Bank, Forest Row	1- -			6
Card, Mr. James	Shalesbrook Farm, Forest Row	8 - -		4	-
Carey, Wilfred Hardacre Esqre	Croomer Cottage, Forest Row	1 - -			6
Carr, Mr. Henry	Fords Green, Nutley	- 2 -			6
Carr, Mr. William	Coffee Hall, Nutley	- - 28			6
Carter, Mr. A.E.	Old Forge Lane, Horney Common, Uckfield	1 - -			6
Carver, P.W. Esqre.	Courtland House, West Hoathly (Late Cohen)				
Castlestewart, The Rt. Hon ****		23 - 7		12	-
Castlestewart, ****		11. 1. 30		6	-
	Littlemead, Nutley				

Champneys Sir F.H. Bart	Upper Morgans Farm, Piltdown, Uckfield (late W.H. Abbey)	7. 3. –		4	-
Chaplin, Mr. James	c/o A. Martin French Esq, **** House,	19. – 10		10	-
Chapman, **** Esq	14 Clifford St, W. 1 (Ashdown Place late Freshfield)				
	Holly Farm, Piltdown (late W.H. Abbeys)	8. 1. 28		4	6
	144, High Street, Uckfield (late M.P. Estate)				
Chatfield, Mr. Albert **	Forest Edge, Forest Row	1. 3. -		1	-
Chilton, Mr. Alfred	c/o Messrs Daniel Watney & Sons	3. 1. 30		2	-
Cholmeley, H.P. Esqre M.D.	4a Fredericks Place, Old Jewey, E.C.2	1. 2. –		1	-
Clarke, Col. Stephenson R.C.B					
		190.1.13	4	15	6
	c/o Messrs Daniel Watney & Sons,				
	4a Fredericks Place, Old Jewey, London, E.C.2				
Clarke, Chas. Bridges Cornely Esqre	C/o J.T. Marriott Esqre. Estate office	595. 1. 7	14	18	-
	Brockenhurst, Hants				
Clough, A.H. Esqre.	Laura House, Forest Row (late Mayrow)	392. - -	9	16	6
	c/o E.P. Whitley Hughes Esqre, East Grinstead				
Coffin, Clifford Esqn	Pixton, Forest Row	2. – 36		1	6
Colchester, The Rt. Hon. Lady		28. – 24	5	9	6
Colville, Admiral The Hon. Sir	Parrock Wood, Colemans Hatch	38. 2. 37		19	6
Stanley G.C.B	Fords Bank, Horney Common, Uckfield				
Combe, Lt Col Herbert	Sharpthorne House, West Hoathly	12 - -		6	-
Constable Mrs. Lucy S	c/o Messrs Turner, Rudge & Turner, East Grinstead	2. 2. 28		1	6
Cook, John R. Esqre		5. 1. 4		3	-
Cooper, Ernest Esqre. J.P. decd The Repres of	Woodgate, Dane Hill, Uckfield	140. - -	3	10	-

Corbett Chas. J. Henry Esq. J.P.	Maresfield (pt Maresfield Pk Estate)				
Cottingham, Mr. George	Streetfield Farm, (ditto)	248.1.24	6	4	6
Cottingham, Mr. Wm.	Nutley (late N. ****)	86. 1. 5	2	3	6
	c/o C.J. Parris Esq, 67 High Street,	23. 3. 2			
Cottingham, Mr. Wm Fly	Tunbridge Wells (pt Maresfield P. Estate)	14. – 15		19	-
Parris, Chas J. Esq	Heatherdew, Nutley				
Cottingham, Mrs. L.E.	Beaven Bridge Farm, South Common, Chailey	74. 2. 10	1	17	6
Cottingham, Mr. W.	Crows Nest, Fairwarp	- 2. –			6
Cowan, Sir W. H. Bart M P	Graddocks, Hartfield (late Wallace)	3. 1. 10		2	-
Crowhurst, Mrs. Wm ***	Millbrook, Nutley	94. 3. 20	2	7	6
Curd, Mr. E.A.	Alton House, Redhill, Surrey (pt Claypits late Shepherd)	- 1. 13			6
Curtis, Mrs. E.M.		10. - -		5	-
	c/o Miss Fullegar & H. Watson,	16. - -		8	-
	Ballards Hill, Goudhurst, Kent				
Dadswell, Mr. R.	Cripps Corner, Forest Row	1. - -			6
	Walhatch, Forest Row (old Vicarage Forest Row)				
Darwin Major Leonard RE		33. 2. –		17	-
Davis Commander Richard *****	Redcot, Fairwarp	2. 2. –		1	6
	The **** Nest, Forest Row				
Davis, J.S. Esqre.	Solvane, Birch Grove, East Grinstead				
Day, Mrs.		7. 2. 16		4	-
DeLuttessham, Miss Selma & Meyer	Piltdown Nursery, Uckfield	- 2. –			6
Miss Katherine	Danehill, Uckfield (late Robinson)	6. 3. 1		3	6
Dennet, Mr. John	16 Codrington Road, Ramsgate				
Denny, Colonel		9. 3. 8		5	-
Dodd, Mrs.		- 1. –			6
		1 - -			6



Douglas, Miss Charlattee Amy	3 Eversfield Road, Easthouse	- 2- 1			6
Dowson, Joseph Emerson Esq	Landhurst Wood, Hartfield	8 – 24		4	6
Duckworth, Geo. H. Esqre	Darlingridge Place, Tyes Cross in East Grinstead	61. 3. 23	1	11	-
	Court Lands, West Hoathley				
DuCroz Charles Grant Esqre		55. 2. –	1	8	-
decd. The Repres of	192 Bishopsgate London, E.C.2				
Eason, E. Hy. Physick Esq	East Grinstead	1. 1. 18		1	-
East Grinstead Gas & Water Coy	The County Accountant, County Hall , Lewes	1. 3. –		1	-
East Sussex County Council	(Hole & Alchorns Farm)	83. 1. 13	2	2	-
	c/o C. Bush Esq 1 London Wall Blgs EC - 2				
Eckstein, Freiderich G.J. Esq	The Crossways, Hartfield	286. - -	7	2	6
Eden, A.F. Esqre	Rutledge Hartfield (late Wallace)	5. 3. 32		3	-
Edwards, Mrs. Richard	Shawhurst Farm, Hartfield (late LeslandWhite)	1. 2. 32		1	-
Edwards, Mrs Brey	Harts Farm, Colemans Hatch	-. 2 –			6
Elliott, Mr. George	Ashdown House, Forest Row	3. - -		1	6
Erill, Arthur Esqre	Offerton, Forest Row	32. - -		16	-
Faber, Alfred Esq	Nutley	3. – 16		2	-
Farmer, Mr. H. W.	Summerford, Fairwarp	- 2 –			6
Fellows, Miss N.S.F. Nixon Miss E.	Wilonshurst, Fletching	4 - -		2	-
Ferris, Colonel W.B	9 Montague Gardens, Tunbridge Wells				
F. Flollictt, Esqre	Broomhill, Crowborough	26. 3. 8		13	6
Follett, W.W.S Esq	St. Meddens, St Pauls Gray Road (late Bailey)	5. - -		2	6
Fooks, Philip Edward Esq	Chickenhurst	1. 3. –		1	-
	Nutley				
Freeland, Mr. P.H.	Wych Cross Place, Forest Row,	2. 3. –		1	6
Freshfield, Douglas W. Esq	Wall Hill Farm, Forest Row	262.1.15	6	11	6
Friend, Messrs. J. & H.	Vaughans, Fletching	43. - -	1	1	6
Fuller Miss Millicent	Oakhouse Farm, Danehill	10. - -		5	-
	Homesdale, Grove Park, London Lee S.E. 12				

Funnell, Mr. Trayton	Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	18. 1. 13		9	6
Fype, Miss Alice	Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	5. - -		2	6
Gasson, Mrs. Agnes	Nutley	3. 2. —		2	-
Gasson Mr. Thomas	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	- 2. 32			6
Gillham, Mr. E.J.	Mudbrooks Farm, Forest Row	- 2. —			6
Glover, Mrs. Mande	c/o The Rt. Hon. Lord Kilbracken, South	- - 25			6
Godfrey, William Esq	Hartfield House, Colemans Hatch	103.3.10	2	12	-
Godley, The Hon .Hugh John		66.3.26	1	13	-
Goldsmiths, Company The		117.3.10	2	19	-
Gordon, Mrs. Dora H.	"Domaha", Forest Row,	5. 1. 36		3	-
Greasley. C. Esqre	211. Longley Road, Tooting Junction, S.W. 17	- - 20			6
Grover, Mr. Bernard	Nutley	5. 2. 13		3	-
Grover, Mr. Percy Alwyn	Grovers Farm, Piltdown, Uckfield (late WH Abbey)	4. 2. —		2	6
Hale, The Miss	c/o Messrs Turner, Rudge & Turner, (East Grinstead )				
	Hillside, Chapel Lane, Forest Row				
Halsey, W.H. Esqre	Kidbrooke Park, Forest Row	1. - 29		1	-
Hambro, R.O. Esqre	Cold Harbour, Forest Row	150. - -	3	15	-
Hardinge, The Right Honble		5. 3. 19		3	-
Sir A.H.-G.C.M.G.K.C.B.	c/o C.E. Cross Esqre, Danehurst Estate				
Hardy, H.R. Esq	Office, Horsted Keynes, Sussex				
	Butcher, East Grinstead	256.3.35	6	8	6
Harman, Mr. E.	c/o W.H. Holden Esq Valley Holme, Horsted Keynes, Sussex	496.1.16	12	8	6
Harmsworth, V.G. Esqre	Holly Grange, Forest Row	60. — 18	1	10	6
Harrison, Miss Marion	Twitter Hatch, Furner Green, Uckfield (late Hewitt)	4. — 16		2	6
Harvey, C.E. Esq	Wroth Tyes, Hartfield	8. — 36		4	6

	Danehurst, Uckfield				
Harvey, Mrs Katharine	41, Marlborough Place, Brighton, (late W.H. Abbey)	9. 3. 20		5	-
Haslam, George D. Esqre	Goldstrow, Piltdown, Uckfield	44. 2. 35	1	2	6
Hayllar, Frank H. Esq.	Mount Pleasant Farm, **** Wood	11. 3. 29		6	-
Head, F.H. Esq	East Grinstead	10. - -		6	-
Head, Mr. John	Quabrook, Colemans Hatch				
		49. 3. 2	1	5	-
Heasman, Mr. Christopher decd, The Exors of	The Homestead, Friars Gate, Withyham	3. 2. 20		2	-
	Little Furnace Farm, Colemans Hatch				
Heasman Mr. Philip	c/o Mrs. Isabella Heasman,	2. - -		1	-
Heasman, Mr. William	Stone Cottage, Friars Gate,	3. - -		1	6
Heasman, Mrs. C.	Withyham				
Heasman, Mrs. Sarah &	Hamilton Terrace, Forest Row				
Heasman, Mrs. Isabella	Forest Row (late Mrs. Hunt)	2. 2. -		1	6
Heath Mr. Joseph Benjamin	Isfield Mill, Isfield, Uckfield	3. - -		1	6
Heath, Mrs. Daisy	Shilley Villas, Maresfield (pt Mr. Park Estate)	- 2. -			6
Hemoley, Mr. William	The Lourds, Nutley	- 1. -			6
Hensley, Mr. Thomas		- 1. 19			6
Henry, Mrs.		- - 3			6
Hill, Mr. W.H.	Poplar Farm, Herons **** Uckfield	2 - -		1	-
Hoare, Alfred Esq	37, Fleet Street, London E.C. 4	101. - -	2	10	6
Hoath, Mrs. Lydia	Moorlands, Withyham	4 - -		2	-
Hobbs, Mr. James	Blackven Farm, Horney Common, Uckfield	- 2 -			6
Hollamby, Mr. W	Forest Row	- - 16			6
Hollamby, Mr. J	Sellwood Place, Forest Row,	- - 11			6
Hope, The Rt. Hon. Jas. F. Esqre P.C. M.P.	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co. Lewes	520.3.-	13	-	6

Horgan, Mr. Edward A.					
Horne, E.A. Esq	Sunnyside, Maresfield (late M.P. Estate)	6. 3. 39		3	6
Hounsom, Wm Allen Esq. JP	Wayside, Forest Row	- 2 –			6
Hudson, Mr. James	41, New Church Road, Brighton	28 - -		14	-
Humphrey, Mr. Harry	Smithy Cottage, Colemans Hatch	- 3 –			
Hunt, Mrs.	Edgemount, Colemans Hatch	6 - -		3	-
Hyde, Thos. Esq deceased The Trustees of	2, Sellwood Place, Forest Row	- 2 –			
Ince, The Reverend J.B.C.	c/o E.M. Challenar Esqre Solicitor, Abingdon	33. 2. –		17	-
Izzard, Mrs. William	The Vicarage, Fairwarp	1. - -			6
Jackson, Mr. Arthur	3 Gladstone Road, Crowborough	1. - -			6
Jenner & Brown, Messrs	Forest Row	- - 20			
Johnson, W. Claude Esq	Oast House Cottages, Forest Row	- 2 –			6
Kent, Sir Stephenson K.C.B.	Broadstone, Colemans Hatch	13. 2. 26		7	-
Kenward, Mrs J.	The Secretary, Chapelwood Manor, Nutley	322.1.31	8	1	6
Kenward, Mr. Nelson	Piltdown, Uckfield	100. - -	2	10	-
Kenward, Mr. Edward	Waldron, Sussex (late M. Park Estate)	41. 1. 7	1	1	-
Kenward, Mr. Robert Esqre	Budletts, Maresfield	2. - -		1	-
Kerr Trefusis, Mrs.	Barkham Manor, Fletching	74. - -	1	17	-
Kellies, Mr. S.	35 Portland Place, London W. 1	3. 1. –		2	-
Kindersley, Sir R.M.G.B.E.	The Barn, Hartfield (late Hy Killick)	- 1. –			6
Kirby, Mr. Earnest ***	15, Charles Street, Berkley Square, W. 1	92. - -	2	6	-
Kirby, Mr. Herbert	Fords Green, Nutley (late M. Park Estate)	- - 21			6
Kirby, Mr. & Mrs. Geo	Fords Green, Nutley (ditto)	- 1 –			6
Knight Mr. T.	Horney Common, Maresfield (late AH Abbey)	1 - -			6
	Railway Inn, Forest Row	- 1. 2			6

Lack, Dr.	Brown House, Forest Row	1. 1. 29		1	-
Lambert, G.N. Esq.	53, Fairfield, Rt *****	4. 2. —		2	6
Langridge, Mr. Enoch	Dane Hill, Uckfield	1. 2. —		1	-
Lapage, Dr.	Forest Row	1. - -			
Larnach, Nevil , Mrs.	C/o Stanley Pott Esq, Brambletye, Estate Office, East Grinstead				
Lawrence, Sir Walter B. Bart GCVDVC	**** Farm, Birch Grove, nr East Grinstead	2. 1. 26		1	6
Legsheath Farm Ltd	The Secretary, 34, Nicholas Lane, Lombard Street, EC 4 (late Larnach Nevill)				
Loftus, Lt. Col. Douglas	Nutley Court, Nutley	70. 2. 22	1	15	6
Lomax, Miss Alice M.	Heather View, Fairwarp (late Inns)	18. 2. 5		9	6
Longley, Mr. C. decd The Repres of	Oakhurst, Golf Road, Forest Row	1. - -			6
Longley C.J. Esq	Rathcote, Crawley, Sussex (late Du Croz)	- 1. 1			6
Longley & Waters, Messrs	Forest Row				
Lucas, Mrs.	Bramblehurst, Ashwist Wood, E Grinstead	40. 1. 10	1	-	6
Lucas, F.R. Esqre	Streeters Rough, Chelwood Gate, E Grinstead	48. 2. 15	1	4	6
Lumsden, Esqre	Wrexham Lodge, Forest Row	29.1.13		15	-
Mackay, Mr. C.D.	Moor Farm, St Johns, Crowborough	3. - -		1	6
Mackwood, Miss Annie H *	Ivyford, Nutley	1. - -			6
Macmillan, Harold Esq	Birch Grove House, near East Grinstead	1. - -			6
Manners, Mrs. J. T.	Bankside, Dane Hill, Uckfield	57. 1. 11	1	9	-
Mansbridge, Mr. James	Spring View, Forest Row	5. - -		2	6
Marchant Mr. Thomas	Cackle Street, Maresfield	- - 20			6
Maresfield, The Rector of	The Rectory, Maresfield	5 - -		2	6
Marriott, Mr. & Miss Cordelia J	c/o Messrs. Hastie, 65 Lincolns Inn Fields W.C. 2	100. - -	2	10	-
	Hurst Wood House, High Hurst Wood, Uckfield	65. - 17	1	13	-
Marsden, James Esqre	Woodcote, Forest Row	3. 2. —		2	-
Martin, Edward Esqre J.P.					

Martin Mr. William	Coach & Horses, Dane Hill, Uckfield	1. 1. 28		1	-
Martin, Mr. George T.	Forest Row	8. 1. —		4	6
Marsh, Mr. Wm Chas.	Lower Morgans Farm, Piltown near Uckfield (late WH Abbey)	5. 1. —		3	-
Mashette, Esqre	Dennis Cross, Hook Heath, Woking	16. — 3		8	6
May, Paul Stanley Esq & others	c/o Messrs. Finnis, Downey, Linnell & Chessher, 5. Clifford street, Bond Street, W 1	5. - -		2	6
		77. 2. 1	1	19	-
Maywood, Edward F Esq MD	14, Salisbury Road, Hove (late M.P. Estate)	- 1. 2			6
Mr. Andrew, John Esq decd The Repers of					
Mc. Lachlan, G.A. Esq	Forest Lodge, Horney Common, Uckfield	16. 1. 5		8	6
Meva, H. Esq	29, Lamb Street, London, S. E.1	4. 2. 16		2	6
Miles, Mrs. L.A.E.	Dane Hill, Uckfield	15. 3. 26		8	-
Miles, Mrs. C.A.	Kingsdown Farm, Buswash ****, Sussex	1. - -			6
Miles, Mr. Henry	Pitlands Farm, Hartfield (Graddocks late Johnson)	4. 1. 13		2	6
Miller, Mr. Joseph	Barracks Maresfield (late M. Park Estate)	1. — 17		1	-
Mitchell, Mr. ****	Nutley	- 2. —			6
Mitchell, Mr. William	Roebuck Farm, Wych Cross Forest Row	1. 1. —		1	-
Ditto & Eliza Brett	Ditto	- 1. 10			6
Mitchell, Mr. Alfred	Brook Cottage, Forest Row	- 2. —			6
Morice, **** Esq	Oak Tree Cottage, Forest Row	1. 1. 24		1	-
Morris, Miss J.V.	Bracklay Cottage, Fairwarp	14. 2. 30			
Ditto	Ditto (late Maresfield PK Estate)	3. 2. 36		9	6
Monoglo, Miss	Mount Pleasant Farm, Fairwarp (late Callard)	3. - -		1	6
Needham, Colonel Charles	Tylehurst, Forest Row	58. - -	1	9	-
Neild, Dr.	Shaw Cottage, Hartfield (late Clough)				

Nield, Mr. Thomas	Breezy Mount, Uckfield (late M Park Estate)				
Noble, Percy G. Esqre	**** Farm, Hartfield	4. 1. 7		2	6
Norman, Mr. Henry deced Repres Of	Fairwarp, Uckfield	18. 2. –		9	6
Oldhaw, Miss K.	Graystone, Crowborough	6. - -		3	-
Osborne, Mr. Albert	Oaklands, Duddleswell, Maresfield	5. 2. –		3	-
Osborne, Mr. George	Hill End Farm, Nutley	- 3. 15			6
Osborne, Bros. Messrs.	Hill End Farm, Nutley	2. 2. –		1	6
Osborne, Mrs Mahala	Duddleswell, Fairwarp	49. – 24	1	5	-
Osborne, Mr. William	Foresters Arms	4. – 11		2	6
Ditto & Eliza his wife	Fairwarp	15. 2. 18		8	-
Osborne, Mr. Thomas	Nutley,	14. 2. –		7	6
Ditto & Harriett his wife	Uckfield	12. 2. –		6	6
Oxley, William Esq	33, Queen's Road, Tunbridge Wells	17. - -		8	6
Pankhurst, Mr. Samuel	Mill House Farm, Maresfield (late M. Park estate)	28. 1. 8		*	6
Parry, Miss E.C.	Little Parrock, Colemans Hatch (late **** V.W.)	13. 2. 1		7	
		9. 2. 10		5	
Parsons, Miss Murial	Mouse Hole, Forest Row	1. 2. 19		1	-
Peacock, George L. Esq	Pixton Hill Farm, Forest Row (late Mrs. Hudson)	24. - -		12	-
Penfold, Mr. Harry	Lisburne, Nutley	2. 1. 8		1	6
Penfold, Mr. H.	Misbourne Farm, Nutley (late M. Park estate)	16. 2. 28		8	6
Penfold, Mr. Joseph	17, Church Street, Maresfield (Do)	- 1. 14			6
Penfold, Mrs. Julis Sarah	Horney Common, Maresfield (late WH Abbey)	2. 2. –		1	6
	Newlands Cottage, Horney Common (Do)				
Penfold, Mr. John B.	Portobells, Colemans Hatch	- 3 -			6
Philcox, Mr. George	The Green, Forest Row (late ****)	2. 2. –		1	6
Phillippe Mrs.	The Vicarage, Nutley	- 1. –			6
	Ashdown Cottage, Forest Row				

Phillips, The Revd J.S. M.A.	The Hon Secretary, Piltdown, Common	4. - -		2	-
Phillos, Mrs.	Uckfield (late Abbey)	- 2 -			6
Piltdown, Golf Club	Harlie, Forest Row	9. - 8		5	-
Place, Thomas Esqre	Broadstone, Forest Row				
Playford, Miss Agness	c/o Messrs Powell & Co Lewes	- - 16			6
Plevins, George J. Esq	Little Denstone, Forest Row	3. 3. 20		2	-
Portman, The Rt Hon ****	Bank Cottage, near Broadstone, Forest Row	212. -18	5	6	6
Rowlings, G.H. Esqre	Pound Gate, Buxted	2. - -		1	-
Reed Mrs. Emma	Mill Brook, Nutley	2. 2. -		1	6
Richardson, Capt. J.	Horney Common, Maresfield	2. 2. -		1	6
Ridley Mr. Spencer	Nutley	12. 2. -		6	6
Ridley Mr. A.J	Nutley	1. - -			6
Ridley Mr. Sylvanus	Nutley	26. - -		13	-
Ridley, Mr. Henry	White House Farm, Horney Common,	- 1. 32			6
Ridley, Mr. F. T	Near Church Gate, Cowden, Edenbridge	- - 15			6
Ridley Mrs. Lucy Rose	Nutley	19.2.26		10	-
Ridley, Mr. Harry	c/o Messrs Wright, Johnstone & Mackengie	- 1. 8			6
Riley, Mrs.	150, St. Vincent St. Glasgow C2 (late J. H. William)	3. 1. 28		2	-
Roberto, Mr. W. J. deced The Trustees of	The Homestead, Neild Crescent, Hadow, nr	11. - -		5	6
	RAF Golf Club, Forest Row				
Robinson, Lt. Col D.C.	Yew Tree Hath, Forest Row				
Rowe, John Esq	Courtland Cottage, Horney Common (late W.H. Abbey)	11.3.34		6	-
Rumbold, Miss Katherine C.	The Rectory, Maresfield (Reading Room, late M. Park Estate)	- 1. 13			6
Rush, Mr. Charles		4. 3. -		2	6
		- 2. 8			6
Ryder, The Revd ACB		- - 3			6



Salconibe, Mr. William	Bridge Hotel, Uckfield, (late M. Park Estate)	135. – 7	3	8	-
Samuel Sir Stuart M. Bart	12 Hill Street, Mayfair, W. 1	5. 1. 29		3	-
Sergeant, Mrs.	“Newport” De la Warr Rd. East Grinstead	1. - -			6
Saunders, Mr. Harry	Hawthorn	- 1. 1			6
Saunders, Mrs. Harry	Forest Row	- 1. –			6
Saunders, P. Gordon Esq	6, Mount St, Grosvenor Square, W.1 (late W.H. Abbey)	2. 3. 9		1	6
	Shepherds Gate, Colemans Hatch				
Saville, Miss & Sturdy, Miss	Post Office, Forest Row	5. 1. –		3	6
Sayers, Mr. Thomas	Newick Park, Newick, Lewes	- 1. –			6
Sclater, The Rev. F. S. S.	Duddleswell, Uckfield	69. – 14	1	15	-
Scott, Mrs Hannah	Post Horn Lane, Forest Row	- 2. –			6
Seymour, Mr. Mark	Moreton Hall, Duddleswell, near Uckfield	- 1. –			6
Shakerley Ackers, G.H. Esq	Horncastle, East Grinstead	12. - -		6	-
Shelford, W.H. Esq	Claypit Farm, Colemans Hatch	22. 2. 26		11	6
Shepherd, S.D. Esqre	Nutley	4. 1. 30		2	6
Shoebridge, Mr. Thos.	c/o Mr. George Martin, Forest Row	11. – 24		6	-
Shute, E.P. Esq decd The Repres of	Hagel Cottage, Dormans Land, Lingfields	1. - -			6
Sinclair, Mr. George	Suney (late T. Knight)				
	West Watch, Birch Grove, East Grinstead	- 1. -			6
Skinner, Sir Sydney	Maresfield	8. - -		4	-
Skipworth, Mr. L.	20, Blatchington Road, Hove	- 1. –			6
Smallwood, J.E. Esq	Putlands, Fairwarp	1. - -			6
Smith, Lt Col. E. Clemente	The Plottage, Ryst Wood, Forest Row	11. 3. 20		6	-
Snelgrove, John Sidney Esqre	c/o John Edward Eggleton Esq	18. 2. –		9	6
****, Arthur Gilstage Esq	Estate Office, Sheffield Park, Uckfield				
	Mayfield, Sussex (late Maresfield PK Estate)	950.-10	23	15	6
Sprott, Frank Walter Esq	Solicitor, Crowborough, (do)	7. – 34		4	-
Sprott, Herbert Esq	c/o Sprott, Herbert Esq (do)	22. 1. 25		11	6

Sprott, Herbert Esq	Solicitor, Crowborough (late W.H. Abbey)	16. 2. 14			
Hart, George E. Esq	Prickets Hatch	4. 2. –		11	-
Steel Major Francis Baker	Nutley (late M. Pk Estate)	28. – 31			
	Marlpits, Nutley	5. – 5		17	-
Stephens, Mr. Nelson G.	Home Wood, Hartfield	3. - -		1	6
Sterling, Miss F.M	Collingford, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5. 2. –		3	
Stevenson, Mrs. Mary Ann		5. 2. -		3	
Stevenson, Mr. Frank	Little Shelf, Nutley	1. - -			6
Stevenson, Mr. Stephen	Little Shelf, Nutley	3. 1. –			
Ditto	Ditto (late Marsefield Pk Estate)	18. – 13		6	-
Stevenson, Mr. W.H.	Lion Cottage, Nutley	1. – 1			6
Stevenson, Mr. Richard H.	Millbrook Farm, Nutley	4. 2. 21		2	6
Stonon, Mr.	Lampool Cottages, Maresfield, (late Collinghunt Parris)	4. 2. 1		2	6
	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co. Lewes				
Streatfeild, R.J. Esq JP.	Nutley				
Streater, Mr. William	The Ballards, Forest Row	12. - -		6	-
Swan, Edwd. Arthur Esqre	Chelwood Gate, Dane Hill, Uckfield	2. – 24		1	6
Sydenham, Dr. George Merwyn	1 Richard Turner	1. - -			6
Tamplin & sons Brewery Brighton Ltd	Brighton (late J.E. Wood)	5. – 30			
		4. - -		5	-
Taylor, Mr. George	Old Workhouse, Fairwarp	10. - -		5	-
Taylor, Mrs.	St. James Road, East Grinstead	- 1. –			6
Taylor, Mr. James	3 Fairview Cottage, St. Johns Rd Crowborough	- 1. 16			6
Taylor, Mr. John	Nutley (late Mrs. Whitewood formerly Cook)	- 1. –			6
Taylor, Mrs. John	Henley House, Uckfield	- 2. –			6
Taylor, Mr. Thomas	Hartfield Rd, Forest Row	- 2. –			6
Tester, Mr. Frederick	Maresfield (late Maresfield Pk Estate)	- 1. 25			6
Thomas G.H &. Esqre	Oakcroft, Hartfield				

Thornton, Miss M.K	103 Ebury Street, London S.W. 1	2. – 38		1	6
Tomlins, E. Frayer Esq S.A	33, Furnival Street, London, S.C. 4 (Marshgen Brook, Hartfield, late Shepherd)	5. – 2		3	-
Tomsett, Mr.	Tompsetts Bank, Forest Row	7. – 29		4	-
Tosetle, Mr. A. Esq	Cookhams, Horsted Keynes	- 2. –			6
Tribe, Miss F.V.	Nutley	34. - -		17	-
Turner, Albert Esqre decd The Repres of	c/o Albert Turner Esq Holme Lewes	1. - -			6
Turner, Messrs C & J.	Whitehouse Farm, Coleman's Hatch				
Turner, Mr. George	Stone Hill Farm, Nutley(late M Pk Bankestate)	18. - -		9	-
Turner, Mr. Edward	Walnut Tree Inn, Brenchley Paddock Wood Kent	2. – 38 - 1. –		1	6 6
Turner Mrs. William	Nutley				
Turner, Mr. Nelson	Nutley	- 1. -			6
Tyler, Mr. Allen	Horney Common, near Uckfield	3. 1. 24 4. 2. -		2 2	- 6
Tyler, Mr. Enoch	Horney Common, near Uckfield	5. 3. –		3	-
Underwood, Mrs. Fredk	Post Horn Lane, Forest Row	1. - -			6
Upton, Mr. Edward	Maresfield (late Maresfield Pk Estate)	- 1. –			6
Verner, Mrs.	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	12. - -		6	
Vokins, W.H. Esqre	“Beechwood”, Withdean, Brighton	7. – 26		4	-
Walker, Miss Hester M.	Prior's Field, Forest Row	1. 2. –		1	-
Wallace, Mrs.	Graddocks Farm, Hartfield	- 3. –			6
Walter, Major Robert	The Dairy House, Maresfield (late M Pk Estate) 4, Silkweed Place, Crowborough	8. 3. 13		4	6
Wallis, Mr. Alfred	The Forge, Rotherfield	2. - -		1	-
Wallis, Mrs. Reginald	Cackle Street, Nutley	2. - -		1	-

Walls, Mrs. Annie	Warrenside, Forest Row	4. - -		2	-
Walsham, Mrs.	Fairwarp	2. - -		1	-
Walter, Mrs. Ellen	Fairwarp	2. - -		1	-
Walter, Mr. Alfred	Dodds Bank, Nutley	1. - -			6
Walter, Mr. John	Lower Parrock, Hartfield	3. - -		1	6
Warwick, Charles Esq	Highgate, Forest Row	91. 3. -	2	6	-
Waters, Messrs H & E	Ditto (QuayBrook Free late E. Waters)	57. - 23			
Ditto	Highgate, Forest Row	4. 3. 36	1	11	6
Waters Mr. Henry J.	Forest Row	1. 3. -		1	-
Waters, Mr. James	Burnt House Farm, Forest Row (late John Waters)	- 2. 8			6
Waters, Messrs Geoffrey	Wrathtye, Hartfield	46. 2. -	1	3	6
Weeding, Mr. Daniel	Forest Hotel, Forest Row	- 1. -			6
Weeks, Mr. Fredk. Robt	Ocklye Farm, Withyham	- 3. 20			6
Welfare, Mr. William	Whitehouse Bank, Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	3. - -		1	6
Wheatley, Mr. Charlie	Nutley	3. - -		1	6
Wheatley, Mr. Henry	Colemans Hatch	- 1. -			6
Wheatley, Mr. Joseph	Nutley	4. - -		2	-
Wheatley, Mr. William	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	- 2. 13			6
Wheeler, Mr. Charles	“Woodlands” Maresfield (late Pearson)	5. - -		2	6
Whiffin, Mr.	Nortington Villa, London Rd., Bruggess Hill	12. - -		6	-
White, Mrs.	White Hall Cottage, Forest Row	- - 11			6
White, Mr. Samuel	Post Office, Nutley (late Mrs. Whitewood)	- 1. -			6
Whitewood, Mr. Percy	c/o Messrs Hunt Nicholson	2. - -		1	-
Wickens, Mrs. Spencer Senr.	& ****, Solicitors, Lewes	15. - -		7	6
Deced, The Executors of					

Wickens Mr. Simeon	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill	45. 1. 1	1	3	-
Wickham, Mr. Humphrey	Pock Hill, Forest Row,	7. - -		3	6
Wickham, Mr. Arthur	Forest Bank, Nutley,	4. 1. 25		2	6
Wickham, Mr. Charles A.	Maresfield (late Maresfield Pk Estate)	- 2. -			6
Willett, Arnold J. Esqre	2, Little Deans Yard, Westminster London SW 1	12. 2. -		6	6
Willett, Dr. E.W.	"Spyways", Hartfield	5. - -		2	6
Williamson, Geo F. Esqre	Ashdown, Hartfield	5. - 15		3	-
Willcock, Mrs.	Lampool Farm, Maresfield (late Cottingham & Parris)	10. 1. 14		5	6
	Mount Pleasant, Oldlands, Maresfield				
Wilson, Mr. Edward	Searles, Fletching, Uckfield	1. - -			6
Wilson, Geo M. Maryon - Esq J.P.	c/o Messrs Turner & Jones, Solicitors, East Grinstead	1214.3. 26	30	7	6
Wood, Mr. Jesse deceased	Duddleswell, Uckfield	11. 2. -		6	-
The Repres of					
Wood Mr. Ephraim	Fair Place Farm, Nutley	10. - 16		5	6
Wood, Mr. Frederick	The Hollies, 9 Bennett Park, Blackheath, SE 3	26. 2. 5		13	6
Wood, Mrs. E.M	Nutley	30. 3. -		15	6
Wood, Mr. H.	Pickeridge, Forest Row	- 1. 19			6
Worthington, Godfrey Esq	*** Cottage, Maresfield (late M Pk Estate)				
Young, Miss Horence		- 1. 25			6

## Cheques

It is resolved that the following cheques be drawn:

Herbert Kirby, 10 weeks salary as Ranger at £ 2 to 8<sup>th</sup> inst: £ 20: 0: 0

Do Rent @ 5/-: 2: 10: 0

Do Employers Insurance @ 1/5: 14: 2

23: 4: 2

William Brown, 10 weeks salary as 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger at 30/- to 8<sup>th</sup> inst: 15: 0: 0

It is resolved that the next Meeting of the Board is held on Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of May next at 3.0 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The Meeting terminated at 3.30 p.m.

Chairman

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## **A Meeting of the Fire Committee duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, Nutley on Wednesday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 1926 at 3.30 p.m.**

### Present

Mr. Geo M. Maryon – Wilson in the Chair

Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley Colville GCB

Mr. D.W. Freshfield

„ G.D. Haslam

„ Robert Kenward

Mr. Wilson is chosen Chairman.

## **Arrangements For The Season**

Acting on the authority given by the Board of Conservators the Committee co-opt Mr. George Demaine Haslam as a member of this Committee.

The Committee having considered the recommendations made at the last Meeting of the Commoners and the directions of the Board of Conservators and the sanction of Earl De La Warr.

It is resolved that 3 men be employed to assist the Rangers in cutting lanes and burning selected areas in accordance with the lists submitted by them and approved by the Commoners Meeting and watching and extinguishing fires during the fire season, two men to assist Ranger Kirby and one to assist Ranger Brown and to give any other help that may be necessary, the men to be paid a salary of £ 2: 5: 0 each in week and to be employed for six weeks commencing on Monday next the 8<sup>th</sup> inst. and the Rangers are instructed accordingly.

Chairman

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## **A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn at Nutley on Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1926 at 3.0 p.m.**

### Present

Mr. D.W. Freshfield in the Chair

Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart

Colonel Needham

Mr. James Card

- „ F.G.J. Eckstein
- „ Geo D. Haslam
- „ Robert Kenward
- „ Edward Martin
- „ Wm. Mitchell
- „ Thos. Osborne

In the absence of the Chairman, Mr. Freshfield is voted into the Chair.

Letters are read by the Clerk from the Chairman stating that being in Scotland he is unable to attend, and from Admiral The Honble, Sir Stanley Colville stating that his official duties require his presence in London.

### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed.

### **Fire Committee**

The Chairman having stated that the Reports of the Rangers showed that the measures for Fire Protection undertaken by the Board in the present year had proved a failure. It was resolved that the Fire Committee be requested, to report on the situation and as to what measures they recommend should be taken in the future to deal with the problem.

### **Finance**

The Bank Pass Books are produced showing the following balances:

General Account:	£ 88: 18: 1
Second Ranger Account:	65: 4: 8
Protection & Improvement Fund:	181: 7: 9

### **Sydenham District Motor Club Application To Carry Out Reliable Tests**

The Clerk reports that having received an application from the Sydenham and District Motor Club for permission to carry out reliability motor cycle tests on the Forest, he consulted the Chairman, and replied that it is contrary to the duties imposed on the Board by Parliament to grant the permission asked for.

### **R. Dadswell W. Walter Convictions**

The Clerk reports that Robert Dadswell and William Walter both of Brown's Brook, having been seen by P.C. Sopp on the 14<sup>th</sup> March last, lighting matches and setting fire to the gorse near Barnsgate Farm were prosecuted before the Uckfield Bench on the 8<sup>th</sup> April last and defended by Mr. Buchwell. The Bench convicted each, fined each the full penalty of 40/- and £ 1: 1: 0 costs, which have been paid.

### **Mrs. Osborne Direction Board**

Mrs. Osborne has desired that the direction board she is authorized to erect at the end of the lane leading to her house, should describe it as a private road, and objection having been raised to the use of the word "Private" it is resolved that the matter be referred to the Forest Row Committee with power to deal with it.

### **Forest Row Committee Report**

The Forest Row Committee present the following report which is read, and it is resolved that it be entered on the minutes viz;

7<sup>th</sup> May, 1926

The Forest Row Committee met at Mr. Martin's house. Present The Chairman Mr. D.W. Freshfield, Mr. E. Martin and Colonel Needham. Admiral Colville wrote apologizing for non attendance.

### **Fires**

Ranger Brown produced a list of Forest Fires in his district during March and April showing that 126 acres were burnt as against 46 acres in 1925. He was unable to tell the Committee how many acres of gorse had been cut by his Assistant.

He put in a claim for an allowance to be made to his son Thomas Brown in respect of assistance given by him on four occasions in putting out fires.

The Committee considered it, but to leave this and the general matters raised to the consideration of the Board.

It appeared to them obvious that the measures taken this year in respect of fire extinction and prevention had proved a failure.

### **Rewards For Detecting Incendiaries**

Mr. Bond wrote suggesting rewards should be offered for the conviction of malicious incendiaries on the Forest and offered to contribute five pounds towards such a reward. Mr. Bond's letter was acknowledged with thanks and a promise to put it before the Board.

### **Hatching Scouts License To Camp**

The Hatching Troop of Boy Scouts requested to be allowed to have a camp on the Forest at \*\*\*\*\* granted under the usual conditions.

### **Miss House License For Drain**

Miss S.L. House of White Plat Colemans Hatch asked for permission for laying drain pipes for a short distance to the ditch besides the road end covering it over \*\*\*\*\* to make it possible for cars to turn opposite her gate. Leave was granted.

### **Shalesbrook Road – Repair Of**

Mr. Card understood on the part of the Committee to superintend the expenditure of ten pounds authorized by the Board on the improvement of the road on the Forest (beyond Shalesbrook) leading from Mr. Bond's to Mr. Card's property.

### **Forest Row Camp War Memorial**

The Committee has to report that the Camp Memorial has been erected on the site authorized by the Board and temporarily enclosed in a light paling a plan with dimensions is annexed.

### **Chapman License For Drain**

Mr. H. Waters applied on behalf of Mr. Chapman of Ashdown Place for leave to run a pipe for some 150 yards across the Forest to connect Ashdown Place with the Forest Row drainage system. It is recommended that this be granted subject to a plan being submitted and approved.

### **Shepherd's Gate Improvement**

Sir G. Collin reported the progress that had been made in patch improvement at Shepherd's Gate but was not in a position to claim the contribution promised by the Board. He hoped shortly to be able to do so.

### **P. Muggeridge Alleged Encroachment**

Mr. Freshfield reports that he viewed the property of Mr. Percy Muggeridge of Brickyard Farm referred to at the Meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> November last and was unable to find that any encroachment had taken place.

D.W. Freshfield

### **Mr. F.K. Chapman Drain**

It is resolved that subject to the plan of the proposal drain which Mr. Chapman of Ashdown Place desires to lay across the Forest land, being approved by the Forest Row Committee and the consent of the Lord being obtained, a



revocable license be granted to him to lay and maintain it, subject to the payment of a yearly acknowledgement of \*\*\*\*\* and payment of the proper charges of the Clerk for the preparations and completion of the license.

### **Query Reward For Detection Of Incendiaries**

Also that Major Bond's suggestion of offering a reward for the detection of incendiaries be referred to the Fire Committee for consideration.

### **Maresfield Committee Boringwheel Mill Road**

The Maresfield Committee report that Ranger Kirby

### **As To Turning Out Bulls**

A complaint having been made by a lady Commoner of Fairwarp that a Commoner had turned out a bull on the Forest to the danger of her heifers being interfered with, the Clerk reports that he can find nothing in the \*\*\*\*\* prohibiting the turning out of a bull on a Common, and in the Great Suit in 1689, the claims of the Commoners which were admitted were for cattle, kine and hogs, but that in the case of the Parson of Maresfield only, his claim was admitted for 31 kine, and one bull. It is therefore difficult to say that bulls may not be turned out.

### **Gypsies**

The Clerk states that in an interview with Sir Henry Cowan M.P. who complained of the gypsies, he suggested to Sir Henry whether it is not possible to promote legislation for the control of the gypsies particularly as their children grow up, without education and he has promised to see whether anything can be done.

### **Burning Undergrowth**

Sir Henry also suggested that when the undergrowth is burnt in the neighbourhood of a gentleman's house, the occupiers might first be consulted.

### **Fires**

Sir Henry also expressed a desire to co-operate with the Board in any measures for the prevention of incendiary fires.

### **Dangerous Well**

Sir Henry complains of a well on the Forest area his property, Crows Nest, which is unprotected. Ranger Kirby reports that it is a pool from which the Commoners' cattle drink.

### **Fires**

Ranger Kirby reports that 27 fires occurred since the last Meeting, burning about 25 acres, and Ranger Brown reports 18 fires burning about 130 acres.

### **Miss M. Beale Application To Make Up Track**

Miss Margaret Beale of Stande, East Grinstead, the owner of a plot not numbered on the Ordnance Map lying some distance west of the Duddleswell Road, and surrounded by Forest land, having written stating that she proposes to build a small house on it, and desires to make up the Forest cart track leading to it. It is resolved that she be requested to define on a plan the track she refers to, and that the matter be referred to the Maresfield Committee to consider as to the desirably or otherwise of granting her a revocable license, with power to act.

### **F. Bradford Jarvis License**

The Clerk submits the license to be granted to Mr. Frank Bradford Jarvis, which is approved, and it is resolved that the Clerk be authorized to sign this license on behalf of the Board.

### **Cheques**

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

Herbert Kirby 11 weeks salary as Ranger at £ 2 to the 24 <sup>th</sup> inst:	£ 22: 0: 0
Do	Rent at 5/-: 2: 15: 0
Do	Employers Insurance @ 1/5: 15: 7
	£ 25: 10: 7

William Brown, 11 weeks salary as Second Ranger @ 30 to 24<sup>th</sup> inst: £ 16: 10: 0

Shaw & Sons Ltd for 100 forms of information: 1: 4: 6

It is resolved that the next Meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> August next at 3.0 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The Meeting closed at 4:15 p.m.  
Chairman

## **A Meeting of the Fire Committee duly convened and held on Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1926 at 3.0 p.m. at the Nutley Inn.**

### Present

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson in the Chair  
Admiral The Hon Sir Stanley Colville GCB  
Mr. D.W. Freshfield  
Mr. G.D. Haslam

Mr. Freshfield suggested various methods by which it may be possible to bring influence to bear to suppress fires, the local press, the assistance of school teachers and Boy Scouts, local lectures for which help might be sought from the National Trust and the Commons' Preservation Society, and query the strengthening of the Bye Laws for which Lord Robert Cecil might give valuable assistance.

### **Cut Lanes**

It was also suggested that wide lanes might be cut and the roots removed by the use of \*\*\*\*\*.

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Also the use by the Rangers of \*\*\*\*\* extinctions as to the cost of which the Chairman undertakes to obtain particulars.

It is resolved that the Clerk be requested to sketch an open letter for consideration.

### **Ranger Brown \*\*\***

The Chairman of the Forest Row Committee states that Ranger Brown in consequence of age has now become physically incapable of discharging his duties. The Clerk states that the agreement under which he was employed is terminable by 4 weeks notice. It is resolved that the matter being urgent notice be given to Ranger Brown to terminate his employment and that having regard to his long service the time be extended and notice given to terminate his employment on Monday the 4<sup>th</sup> October, the Board to be asked to confirm this action.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger Successor**

Also that the Clerk inquire of the Chief Constable whether he can recommend a retiring Constable suitable to take the post and consult him as to the remuneration it being understood that the pay cannot exceed 35/- per week to include house rent.

### **Mr. Aldridge Straight Path**

The Committee recommend that Mr. Aldridge be allowed to make a straight footpath 4 feet wide from his house Cherry Croft to the adjacent road subject to a revocable license as arranged.

## **Osborne \*\* Notice Board**

Also that the notice board proposed to be erected by Mrs. Osborne be approved subject to the omission of the word 'Private'.

Chairman

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## **A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn at Nutley on Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1926 at 3.0 p.m.**

### Present

Mr. George M. Maryon - Wilson in the Chair

Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville GCB

Colonel Chas Needham

Mr. James Card

„ F.G.J. Eckstein

„ D.W. Freshfield

„ Robert Kenward

„ Edward Martin

### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed.

### **Finance**

The Bank Pass Books are produced showing the following balances:

General Account: £ 134: 0: 0

Second Ranger Account: 81: 3: 2

Protection & Improvement Fund: 204: 6: 0

### **Forest Row Committee Report**

The Forest Row Committee present the following report which is read and it is resolved that it be entered on the minutes viz;

The Forest Row Committee met on 6<sup>th</sup> August at Woodcote, Forest Row. Present the Chairman, Mr. D.W. Freshfield, Colonel Needham, Mr. Martin.

Admiral Sir Stanley Colville & Mr. Card wrote apologizing for absence.

### **Scouts**

The Chairman stated that he had given leave to Brighton Boy Scouts to camp as in previous years, on the Forest near Legsheath during the first half of August.

### **Miss Lowe Direction Board**

The Committee viewed and approved the direction board put up opposite Miss Lowe's and the gravelled footpath made to Cherry Garden Cottage in accordance with permission granted by the Board.

### **Aldridge Mr. Footpath Paper**

The Ranger reported that there had been no firers consequent on or during the Bank Holiday, but much paper etc left on the Forest.

### **Notice Boards Refuses Fires And Rubbish**

The Committee drove round the portion of the Forest under their control with a view to settling desirable sites for setting up posts and boards cautioning visitors against injuring the Forest by lighting fires or leaving papers and other refuse lying about. They settled on the following sites as suitable:

#### High road Forest Row to Nutley (15 New Boards in all)

Places where gypsies camp, half way to Cherry Orchard

Cherry Orchard Gate

Cart track into Hindleap Warren

Wych Cross Crossways

Track to Vetchery

Bottom below Nutley

#### Highroad to Chelwood Gate

Top of Forest above Lord Cecil's house

Opposite Red Lion Inn

#### Road Wych Cross to Plawhatch

Opposite back entrance to Wych Cross Place at turning to Twyford

Near Camp Monument

at bend in road above Tylehurst

At Chuck Hatch

Above Lord \*\*\*\*\* on Forest

Near Gill's Lap

Near turning to Old Lodge

N.B. There are already boards at High Breeches and the entrance to Broadstone Warren above Cherry Orchard. There is a broken board at Chuck Hatch and another on high road near Ashdown Place.

Douglas W. Freshfield

### **Notice Boards Fires And Rubbish**

It is resolved that the Report be approved and that the matter of erecting notice boards mentioned in the Report be referred back to the Forest Row Committee with full power to act.

Also that the Maresfield Committee be requested to consider whether it is desirable to erect any similar notice boards within their area, and if so, to supply particulars to the Clerk, so that the number may be included in any tender to be asked for by the Forest Row Committee.

### **Protection & Improvement Fund**

Also that the cost of such notice boards if erected be defrayed out of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

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### **Repair Of Bridge - Protection & Improvement Fund**

The Committee also recommend payment of Mr. W.H. Young's bill for £ 2: 2: 9 for repairing a bridge, on the Golf Course. It is resolved that the amount be paid out of Protection & Improvement Fund.

### **Stone Digging**

The Clerk draws attention to the large areas of Forest land dug over by the Lord's representatives with the result of producing only small quantities of stone for sale, which are corded on adjacent areas and destroy the herbage, and reminds the Board that in the judgment in *Hale v De La Warr*, the Lord undertook that he would not "dig for stone \*\*\*\* gravel or other material so as to prejudice the exercise of any of the rights of the Commoners."

It is resolved that a joint Committee be formed composed of two members of the Forest Row Committee and two members of the Maresfield Committee, with power to co-opt two other Conservators in order to view the various excavations, and report fully on the subject to the next Meeting.

**Annual Return**

The Clerk lays on the table a copy of the annual return furnished to the Ministry of Agriculture for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 1925.

**Tamplin & Sons Application To Improve Entrances**

A representative of Tamplin & Sons Brewery Brighton Ltd, attends and states that the firm are about to rebuild their “William the Fourth Inn” opposite Fords Green at Nutley, and desire to improve the two entrances to it which pass over a narrow strip of Forest land between their hedge and the main road, and he submits a plan showing the two improved entrances over this strip.

The matter having been considered, it is resolved that a revocable license for the purpose be granted subject to the usual conditions and to the payment of a yearly acknowledgement of 5/- and this resolution is communicated to the firms representative.

**Rangers Reports**

The Rangers weekly reports are produced, Ranger Kirby’s reports show two fires, the removal of two or three gypsies, the granting of several licenses for peat and rushes, and the deposit of paper and other rubbish by picnic parties. Ranger Brown’s reports show two fires (one caused by a traction engine) the granting of several similar licenses, but no gypsies.

**Handbills Against Fire And Rubbish – Protection and Improvement Fund**

It is resolved that small handbills be printed cautioning against fire, and against depositing paper and rubbish, for the Rangers to fix on the posts of notice boards, and to hand to people found picnicking on the Forest, the cost of the bills to be charged to the Protection & Improvement Fund.

**Cheques**

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

The Clerk, ½ years salary to 30 <sup>th</sup> June last:	£ 75: 0: 0
H. Kirby 12 weeks salary as Ranger at £ 2 to 16 <sup>th</sup> :	24: 0: 0
Do House Rent at 5/- (12 weeks):	3: 0: 0
Do Employers Insurance:	<u>17: 0</u>
	27: 17: 0
W. Brown 12 weeks salary as 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger at 30/-	18: 0: 0

**Pond At Tompsette Bank**

Mr. Martin applies on behalf of Mrs. Park of Greenhall Tompsette Bank, for permission to fill up a small pond behind Mrs. Walsham;s house as being dangerous.

It is resolved that the matter be referred to the Forest Row Committee with power to act.

**Fire Committee Report**

The Fire Committee present the Minutes of their Meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> July last (see page 135 ante) which are read, and it is resolved that as regards fires the suggestions as to procuring the co-operation of schoolmasters and the public press, the circulation of an open letter, and attractive lectures in the coming winter be approved, and that the Clerk draft an open letter for approval, by the Chairman & Mr. Freshfield.

Also that if possible the help of the broadcasting authorities be invoked before next Easter. And that further action be considered later.

It is also resolved that the recommendations and action of the Committee with regard to terminating the services of Ranger Brown be approved and confirmed, and that the Clerk serve him with formal notice on behalf of the Board, to terminate his services on the 4<sup>th</sup> October next.

### **Appointment Of 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger**

The Clerk states that he saw the Chief Constable, who promised to let him know if he should hear of a suitable candidate for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Rangership, but as far he has heard nothing.

Mr. Sidney H.F. Upton of \*\*\*\* having applied for the post of 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger, attends before the Board and answers enquiries as to his past occupations and experience. It is explained to him that the salary is 35/- per week, the Ranger finding his own residence in a locality satisfactory to the Board. And ultimately, on the proposition of Mr. Freshfield, seconded by Mr. Kenward, it is resolved that subject to Mr. Upton furnishing a reference satisfactory to the Chairman of the Board he be appointed second Ranger on the above mentioned terms and conditions, for one year of 52 weeks commencing on the 4<sup>th</sup> October next. The arrangement to be terminable on any Monday after the expiration of the year by either party giving 13 weeks previous notice.

The above resolution having been read to Mr. Upton, he agrees to furnish a satisfactory reference and to accept the appointment provided he can find a cottage or land on which to build his own cottage in a position convenient for his work and approved by the Board.

It is resolved that the next Meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> October next at 2.30 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The Meeting terminated at 4.45 p.m.

Chairman

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After the conclusion of the Meeting the Clerk submitted claims by the Rangers for compensation for damage to their clothing viz Ranger Kirby £ 4 and Ranger Brown 30/- as a result of putting out fires and the Chairman having heard their statements authorized the payment of the amount claimed by Ranger Brown as his term of service will expire before the next Meeting and half Ranger Kirby's claim these payment and the balance of Ranger Kirby's claim if agreed to be confirmed at the next Meeting of the Board.

Chairman

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**A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn at Nutley on Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1926 at 2.0 p.m.**

### Present

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson in the Chair

Admiral The Hon Sir Stanley Colville GCB

Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart

Colonel Needham

Mr. James Card

- „ F.G.J. Eckstein
- „ D.W. Freshfield
- „ G.D. Halsam
- „ R. Kenward
- „ E. Martin
- „ Wm. Mitchell

### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed.

### **Finance**

The Bank Pass Books are produced showing the following balances:

General Account:	£ 31: 13: 0
Second Ranger Account:	63: 3: 2
Protection & Improvement Fund:	205: 15: 11

### **Ranger Brown Service Terminated**

The Clerk reports that a fresh notice was served on Ranger Brown to terminate his service, as directed at the last Meeting, and that his employment ceased on the 4<sup>th</sup> instant.

### **Compensation To Rangers For Damaged Clothing – Protection and Improvement Fund**

It is resolved that the action of the Chairman after the last meeting with regard to compensating the Rangers for damage sustained to their clothing in extinguishing fires be confirmed and that the balances of £ 2 be paid to Ranger Kirby. These payments to come out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Forest Row Committee Report**

The Forest Row Committee present the following Report which is read, and it is resolved that it be entered on the Minutes viz,

25<sup>th</sup> October 1926

The Committee met at Wych Cross Place.

Present: Colonel Needham, Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville, Mr. E. Martin and the Chairman.

### **Ranger Brown Service Terminated**

The Chairman stated that Ranger Brown had given up his office on October 4<sup>th</sup>. In the interim he had authorized Mr. Osborn of Hindleap Farm to report to him any breaches of bye laws that might come to his notice. He had also spoken to the local Constables.

He had made preliminary enquiries as to any cottage that might be available for a future Ranger but it was impossible to take anymore definite steps until the conditions of employment had been finally settled by the Board and it was known whether their choice had fallen on a bachelor or a married man.

### **Applicants For 2<sup>nd</sup> Rangership**

After communication with and under the authority of the Chairman of the Board members of the Committee had obtained from Navel & Military Associations and from the County Council numerous applications for the post of Ranger. They proposed to present six out of these on the 27<sup>th</sup> October for personal inspection by a Sub – Committee of the Board.

### **Stone Digging By The Lord**

With respect to the inspection of the Forest by a special Sub-Committee with a view to a report on the extent of its defacement by surface stone digging he had after consultation with his colleagues thought it advisable to postpone any action till after the new Ranger had entered on his duties.

### **Erection Of Notice Boards Postponed**

It had seemed to him also desirable to defer the erection of the 15 new Notice Boards, authorized by the Board, warning the public against any breach of the Bye Laws involving the disfigurement of the Forest, until a Ranger was available to assist in carrying it out. The Committee approved the Chairman's action.

Mr. E. Martin reported that the well near Mrs. Walsham's house had been protected to her satisfaction.

### **Ashdown Forest Hotel Application For Signpost**

Mr. E. Martin brought up an application from the owner of the Ashdown Forest Hotel for leave to erect a signpost to his house on the Forest. The Committee considered such a signpost was uncalled for and would be a disfigurement to the Forest.

### **Shepherds Gate Footpaths Repairs Completed**

The Committee, having before them a letter from Sir G. Collier of Water Farm informing them that the works on the footpaths at Shepherds Gate had been completed and asking for the grant in aid sanctioned by the Board (£ 25) proceeded to view the spot. They are of opinion that the work has been carried out satisfactorily and is likely to effect its purpose, namely to render the cattleways South and E of Miss Sturdy's leading on to the Forest passable for pedestrians. They recommend that the Board's promised contribution should be paid.

Douglas W. Freshfield  
Chairman

It is resolved that the acts proceedings and recommendations of the Committee as reported be

### **Shepherds Gate Improvements At – Protection and Improvement Fund**

approved, and that the contribution by the Board of £ 25 towards the improvements at Shepherd's Gate be paid to Sir George Collier out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Forest Row Memorial**

It is resolved that it be pointed out to Col. Brownlow Chairman of the Forest Row Camp Memorial Committee that the temporary wooden railing round the Memorial Stone is inadequate, and that he be requested to submit to this Board for its approval, a design for the more permanent protection of the monument.

### **Granting Near Ladies Golf Club – Protection and Improvement Fund**

Mr. Martin submits a bill of Messrs H. & E. Waters for £ 1: 1: 6 for fixing a grating to the drain on the Forest in front of the Ladies Golf Club, and it is resolved that the amount be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Rate**

The Clerk reports that the rate made on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March last, will be exhausted by the next Meeting, and it is resolved that notice be given on the Agenda in the next Meeting of the Board, to make a new Rate, and that the Clerk prepare the necessary documents for the purpose. Mr. Martin draws attention to the services Ranger Kirby has performed in the Forest Row District since Ranger Brown's retirement.

The Chairman explains that Sidney H.F. Upton, who at the last Meeting was, subject to furnishing a satisfactory reference appointed 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger, supplied a satisfactory reference, but has since withdrawn from the appointment, and that after this Meeting the Committee engaged in selecting a candidate, namely, the Chairman and Mr. Freshfield, will interview several applicants, who have been secured by the exertions of Admiral Sir Stanley Colville and Col. Needham.

### **Appointment Of 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger**

It is resolved that the names of Sir Stanley, and Col. Needham be added to the Committee of Selection, and that the Committee be empowered to select and engage a second Ranger at a Salary of 40/- per week in cash, and house or other accommodation rent free, and to hire a house or other accommodation for the occupation of the Second Ranger at a rent of not exceeding 10/-, the Ranger paying Rates and Taxes (if any). It is also resolved that both Rangers as regards salary and house rent be placed on the same footing.

### **Browns Brook Road dangerous**

A letter is read from Mr. G. Saxon of Syndhurst, Fairwarp, complaining of the dangerous state of the road between Fairwarp and Browns Brook. It is resolved that the Maresfield Committee be requested to view and report.



### **Shalesbrook Road Improvement – Protection and Improvement Fund**

It is resolved that the improvement of the road on the Forest beyond Shalesbrook from Major Bond's to Mr. Card's property having been completed the contribution of £ 10 promised to the RAF Golf Club in respect thereof (see p. 131 ante) be now paid to the Club out of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

### **Rangers Reports**

The Clerk produces the Rangers reports, which contain only particulars of the removal of gypsies and the granting of one or two licenses for rushes etc.

### **Cheques**

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

Herbert Kirby, 11 weeks salary as Ranger to 1 <sup>st</sup> prox at £ 2:	£ 22: 0: 0
Do	Rent at 5/-: 2: 15: 0
Do	employers insurance: <u>15: 7</u>
William Brown, 7 weeks salary as Second Ranger to 4 <sup>th</sup> October last:	£ 10: 10: 0

### **Commoners' Annual Meeting**

Lastly it is resolved that the Annual Meeting of the Commoners be held on Wednesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> December next at 11 a.m. at the Nutley Hotel at Nutley, and that the next Meeting of the Board be held immediately after the Commoners Meeting or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The Meeting terminated at 4.0 p.m.

Chairman

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### **A Meeting of the Committee appointed to select and engage a Second Ranger held at the Nutley Inn on Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1926 at 4.0 p.m.**

#### Present

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson in the Chair  
Admiral The Hon Sir Stanley Colville GCB  
Colonel Chas. Needham  
Mr. D.W. Freshfield

### **Appointment Of Second Ranger**

It is resolved that the note of the duties of 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger submitted by the Clerk be approved.

Also that the salary be fixed at 40/- per week, the Board to provide a house or other accommodation at a cost not exceeding 10/- per week for the Ranger, rent to be paid by the Board he to pay rates (if any).

Mr. Freshfield states that Mr. G.J. Martin of Forest Row recently expressed his willingness to let the house on the Isle of Thorns on a monthly tenancy, at 10/- per week, tenant paying rates but could not guarantee a permanency.

Five candidates for the office are then successively interviewed by the Committee, with the result that they selected John William Hatchett aged 40, married 20 years and no family, late Chief Petty Officer and Gunners Mate in the Royal Navy, whose testimonials were very satisfactory. The duties of the office are explained to him and that the salary is 40/- per week, the Board providing housing accommodation at a cost not exceeding 10/- per week, the Ranger to pay rates (if any). The engagement to be terminable by either party on giving 13 weeks notice to the other. The Board to pay for the travelling expenses of Mr. And Mrs. Hatchett from Portsmouth, to take up his duties, the Navel Authorities helping him as to removal of his furniture.

Mr. Hatchett thereupon agreed to accept the appointment and to commence his duties on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> November next; the Clerk to send him confirmation in writing.

It is resolved that the travelling expenses of three of the unsuccessful applicants, namely, W.H. Lloyd, 11/- J.G. Cross 4/6 and G. Meagher £ 1:10: 0 be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

Chairman

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**The Annual Meeting of the Commoners interested in Ashdown Forest duly convened by the Clerk by notice on the principal door of the Church of each of the Parishes and Ecclesiastical Districts into which the Forest extends by advertisements in two newspapers circulating in the neighbourhood, to wit, "The Sussex Express" and "The Sussex Daily News" at least fourteen days before this date and by notice sent by post to each Commoner and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December 1926, at eleven O' Clock of the forenoon.**

Mr. George M. Maryon - Wilson in the chair  
Admiral, The Honble, Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B.  
Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart  
Major General Coffen  
Colonel Needham  
Mr. James Card  
Miss E. Curtis  
Mr. F.G.J. Eckstein  
" D.W. Freshfield  
" G.D. Haslam  
" W.H. Hills  
" Robert Kenward  
" Edward Martin  
" William Mitchell  
" Thomas Osborne  
" H. Jesse Ridley  
" John Rowe

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson having been chosen Chairman and taken the Chair.  
The Clerk reads the notice convening the Meeting and reports the due publication of notice thereof as above mentioned.

The Minutes of the last Meeting of the Commoners held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> December 1925 are then read and confirmed.

**H. Jesse Ridley Commoner**

Mr. H. Jesse Ridley produces to the Clerk evidence that he is now the owner of land at Old Forge entitled to rights of Common.

**Election of Conservators**

The Clerk reports that the Conservators who retire by rotation on the 31<sup>st</sup> instant are Mr. William Mitchell, Colonel Charles Needham, Mr. George Demaine Haslam and Mr. Friedrich Gustav Jonathan Eckstein.

The Chairman then invites nominations to fill these vacancies.

Mr. Ridley suggests that all the Conservators should resign with a view to introducing practical blood.  
It is proposed by Sir Stanley Colville and seconded by Mr. Rowe that Mr. William Mitchell be re-elected a Conservator.  
It is proposed by Sir Francis St. Champneys and seconded by Mr. Kenward that Col. Charles Needham be re-elected a Conservator.

It is proposed by Mr. Eckstein and seconded by Col. Needham that Mr. George Demaine Haslam be re-elected a Conservator.

It is proposed by Mr. Haslam and seconded by Sir Francis H. Champneys that Mr. Friedrich Gustav Jonathan Eckstein be re-elected a Conservator.

No other Commoner having been proposed, the Chairman declares the four above proposed Commoners duly elected Conservators of the Forest for the ensuing three years ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 1929.

The Chairman invites suggestions from Commoners present as to the management of the Forest.

Arising out of the Minutes of the last Meeting, Miss Curtis inquires whether any applications had been made to the Board for permission to cut undergrowth to which the Chairman replied in the negative.

#### **Desirability of cutting big \*\*\*\*\* \*\*\*\*\***

She then expressed the view that it would be a great benefit to the Commoners if, in view of the alarming fires, some arrangement could be made to cut gorse and other coarse growth especially near woods and small farms; so as to protect the trees and increase the pasture.

Mr. Freshfield explains the steps that were taken by the Board during the last Spring to cut and burn coarse growth at a considerable expense and that the result was altogether inadequate.

Mr. Ridley urges that steps be taken to encourage the cutting of litter. The Chairman points out that all Commoners have the right to cut litter during the prescribed months, but that of late the cost of labour appears to have deterred them from exercising the right.

Mr. Rowe suggested that the months prescribed by the Bye Laws for cutting litter might be extended.

#### **Cattle – danger to from traffic on roads**

Mr. Ridley pointed out that the danger to cattle from motor traffic on the roads crossing the Forest deters Commoners from turning out and that the Forest should be fenced against the Roads. Miss Curtis suggests that notice boards be erected at the entrances to the Forest warning persons using the Road to beware of the cattle, as strangers to the District might not expect to find cattle on the Roads.

Mr. Ridley complains that restrictions in times of outbreak of foot and mouth disease prevent the Commoners from turning out. The Chairman points out that Commoners, like other people, have to comply with the orders.

Mr. Ridley then enquires whether there is any power to exclude Commoners from Meetings of the Board of Conservators.

The Chairman informs him that none but Conservators elected by the Commoners to look after their interests are entitled to be present.

No further suggestions being made the Chairman states that the suggestions made shall be laid before the Board of Conservators for their consideration and declares the Meeting closed. On the motion of Mr. Haslam a vote of thanks is passed to the Chairman for the very tactful manner in which he has conducted the Meeting.

Chairman

**A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 1926 at 12.0 noon.**

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson in the chair  
Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley Colville G. C.B  
Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart  
Col. Needham  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. F.G.J. Eckstein  
" D.W. Freshfield  
" G.D. Haslam  
" Robert Kenward  
" Edward Martin  
" William Mitchell  
" Thomas Osborne

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed.

### **Conservators Election of**

The Clerk produces the following Certificate from the Chairman of the Commoners Meeting held this morning which is read and it is Resolved that it be entered on the Minutes.

To Mr. W.A. Raper

Clerk to the Conservators of Ashdown Forest

As Chairman of the Meeting of Commoners duly convened and held this day at the Nutley Inn, Nutley, for the purpose of electing four Conservators in the place of those who retire from Office by rotation on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December instant. I hereby intimate to you that at the said Meeting Mr. William Mitchell, Colonel Charles Needham, Mr. George Demaine Haslam and Mr. Friedrich Gustav Jonathan Eckstein were elected Conservators for the ensuing three years.

Dated the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December 1926

G.M. Maryon Wilson

Chairman

Mr. Maryon – Wilson as Chairman of the Commoners Meeting reports the representations made at that Meeting for the information of the Board.

The suggestion that application be made to the Home

### **Bye laws proposed alterations \*\*\*\*\***

Secretary for an alteration of Bye Law 11(e) as extend the months for cutting litter is fully discussed and Sir Stanley Colville moves and Mr. Haslam seconds that the Bye law be not altered.

Col. Needham moves and Mr. Kenward seconds by way of amendment that application be made to extend the time for cutting brakes and litter. The amendment being put, is lost and the original motion is then put and carried.

### **Suggested fencing Forest**

A suggestion that the Forest should be fenced against the Roads is then considered and on the motion of Mr. Kenward seconded by Mr. Haslam it is Resolved that the Board cannot entertain the suggestion.

### **Warning Boards at entrances to Forest - Protection and Improvement Fund**

On the motion of Sir Stanley Colville seconded by Sir Francis H. Champenys, it is resolved that it be referred to a Committee composed of the Chairman of the two District Committees with power to add to their number to decide as to erecting notice boards on the high roads at the entrances to the Forest warning persons to look out for cattle

roaming on the roads, with power to act and to expend a sum not exceeding £ 30 to be provided out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Appointment of 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger**

The Special Committee appointed is select and engage a 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger, present the Minutes of their Meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> October last (see p.148 ante ) as their report, which having been read and considered. It is resolved that the acts and proceedings of the Committee as reported be approved and confirmed and that the thanks of the Board be accorded to them for their valuable services.

### **House for 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger**

Mr. Freshfield explains that it was first proposed to secure the house at the Isle of Thorns for the New Ranger, but as it could only be secured on a monthly tenancy with very great uncertainty as to its duration; and would require some considerable expenditure to make it reasonably habitable, the idea of hiring had to be abandoned and instead one of the New Cottages erected by Mr. Clough at Forest Row was secured at a rent of 10/6 per week terminable by 13 weeks notice and that though not in a central part of the Forest Row District, it is on the border and in a position where the Ranger will be able to acquire useful information.

Mr. Freshfield points out that the contemiance of William Brown as Lord's Reeve camp a good deal of confusion, and it is Resolved that it be left to the Chairman and Clerk to see what can be done in the matter.

### **Forest Row Camp Memorial**

The Forest Row Committee present the plan supplied by Col. Brownlow on behalf of the Committee of the British legion for the improvement of the ground surrounding the Forest Row Camp Memorial and it is resolved that the plan be approved subject to the addition of a drain to carry away the surface water. The work to be carried out to the satisfaction of the Forest Row Committee.

### **Suggested Afforestation**

It is Resolved that the communication received from Lord De La Warr's Solicitors, Messrs Hunt Nicholson and Adams, on the subject of afforestation be taken into consideration at the next Meeting of the Board.

### **Maresfield Committee Report Road repair**

The Maresfield Committee report that it will be useless to inspect the road way between Fairwarp and Browns Brook, referred to them at the last Meeting before the Spring, as any money spent on it at this season of the year would be thrown away, but that the Committee will keep the matter before them.

### **Holly cutting**

The Clerk reports that he received an application for permission to cut holly on the Forest and replied that the only person who can give permission is Earl De La Warr and that any person cutting without such permission is liable to prosecution under the Bye Laws.

### **East Sussex County Council application to take road materials**

An application is read from the East Sussex County Council for the consent of the Board to their taking gravel and sandstone from the Forest for repair of their roads during the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 1928. The Clerk reports that the application is for the same quantities and from the same localities as granted for several years last past. It is resolved that consent be granted subject to the same conditions as in past years.

### **Depositing of building materials**

The Clerk reports that he has granted two licenses to deposit building materials on Forest land on the usual conditions, the depositors each paying 10/- to the Protection and Improvement Fund and depositing £ 1 as security for clearing up and restoring the surface.

**Rate**

The Clerk reports that the funds of the Conservancy are now exhausted and having submitted an estimate of the expenditure for the ensuing year amounting to £ 305, It is proposed by Mr. Kenward, seconded by Mr. Haslam and unanimously resolved that a rate be made for defraying the expenses of the Conservators in the execution of their duties under the Award made under the provisions of the Inclosure Act 1845 to 1878 and the Commons Regulation (Ashdown Forest) Provisional Order Confirmation Act 1885 to be levied on the respective owners of the rights of Common upon Ashdown Forest at the rate of Six pence an acre in respect of the acreage of their respective lands to which such rights attach, which owners and their respective acreages and the sums payable by them respectively are hereinafter set forth, namely

Name	Address	Acreage	Amount Payable		
Abbey H.R.B. Esq	Chelwood Corner, Chelwood Gate E. Grinstead	92: 1:-	2	6	6
Abbey William Hy Esq	c/o Messrs Powell & Co. Lewes	941:3:37	23	11	-
Abbey & sons, Messrs.	Kemp Town Brewery, Seymour Street Brighton	21:1:9		11	-
Allfrey, The Misses	Wilmshurst, Fletching	12:3:20		6	6
Anderson, Mrs. J.N.	Horney Common, Maresfield	2:-:-		1	-
Appleby, Mr. Herbert J	Ivy Cottage, Fords Green, Nutley	1:1:34		1	-
Appleby, Mr. Horace	Hadlow Down, Uckfield	-:2:-			6
Arbuthnot, Miss Dorothy G.	Forest Lodge, Sharpthorne, East Grinstead	12:1:8		6	6
Arbuthnot, W.R. Esq decd.					
The Repres of	The Managers, Forest Row (late Tamplin Brevery)	-:2:30			6
Ashdown Forest Hotel Ltd.	per Miss Fellows Hon. Secry, Forest Row				
Ashdown Forest Ladies Golf Club		-:2:-			6
Ashdown, Mr. Thomas	Ivy Cottage, Friars Gate, Withyham				
Attfield, Miss	Farm Close, Maresfield, (late Cruthenden)	1:2:-		1	-
Avis, Mrs. Jessie & others	North Lodge Laundry, Horney Common, Maresfield	-:1:13			6
	The Hollies, Friars Gate, Withyham	9:2:23		5	-
Avis, Mr. Obadiah	Gena, Forest Row, (late Bishop)	1:2:-		1	-
Bailey, Mrs.	Sunnyside, Hartfield	-:1:-			6
Baines, Miss Isabel	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	-:1:16			6
Baker, Mr. Charles	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	3:-:-		1	6
Baker, Mr. Elias	Chelwood Gate, Uckfield	2:-:-		1	-
Baker, Mr. William	Hartfield Road, Forest Row	2:-:-		1	-
Baldwin, Mr. Thomas	Southover, Lewes	-:2:-			6
Ballard & Co. Ltd. Messrs	Campfield Rough, Fairwarp,	2:2:-		1	6
Barchard, Messrs A.E & E.E	Berlyn Farm, Quabrook, Forest Row	1:-:15		1	-
Bashford Mr. George J	The Winich, Forest Row,	6:1:19		3	6
Beach, Mrs. J.N.	Chelworth, Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	2:-:-		1	-
Beamish, Admiral F.R.H.		57:1:17	1	9	-
C.B.R.N.M.P.					
Bellairs, A.E. Esqre	Stone House, Forest Row				
Bennett, Mr. George	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	0:2:4		-	6
Bennett, Mr. J.	Furners Green, Dane Hill, Uckfield	2 . .		1	-
Best, Mr. A.	Dodds Bank, Nutley (late Nelson Kenward)	21 :- :21		11	-
Best, Mr. Enoch	Horney Common, Maresfield (late *.H Abbey)	-: 1:14			6
Birch, Fredk J. Peregrine Esq.	c/o Richard Epps Esq				
Deced, The Repres of	149 St. Johns Road, Tunbridge Wells	3:3:12		2	-
Birch, Francis J.P. Esq decd.	c/o Messrs Stone, Simpson & Mason	30: - : -		15	-
The Repres of	Tunbridge Wells				
Bishop, Mr. Samuel	Forest Row	1 : - : -			6
Blackie, Alfred Esqre.	Ulverstone, Marden's Hill, Crowborough	2 : - : -		1	-
Bond, Mrs. D.N.	Chapel Lane, Forest Row	-: - :20			6
Bond, Major W.C. O.B.E.	Shalesbrook, Forest Row	3: 2: 26			
Bonlton & Dickens Messrs	Forest Row	1 : - : -			6
Box, Mr. Richard	Rozell Lodge 329, Hainault Road, Leytonstone, London E.11	3: -: -		1	6
Branwell, Charles Esq	Bank Farm House, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	1: 2: -		1	-
Bridgwater, Miss	Hooke Cottage, Forest Row ,	1: -: -			6
Brown, Mr. Alfred	Bank Farm cottage, Forest Row	-:2:39			6
Brown, Mr. Alfred J.	Maresfield	22:3:39		11	6
Brown, Mr. Edward	Maresfield	-:-:39			6
Brown, Mr. T.G.A.	Maresfield	-:2:-			6
Browning, Mr. William	Chelwood Common Dane Hill Uckfield	9: 2: -		5	-
Bull, The Revd R.A.	St. Andrews, Forest Row	36:1:20		18	6

Burgess, Mr. Edward	Cherry Tree Cottage, Dane Hill, Uckfield	6:3: 4		3	6
Burns Mrs. Clementina	Andrews Bank, Colemans Hatch,	3 : -: -		1	6
Burns, L.B. Esqre	Landhurst Cottage, Hartfield	5:-: 14		3	-
Campbell Mr. & Mrs. John	Courtlands, Land	39:2:1	1	-	-
Carbutt, Mrs.	Parrock Wood Cottage, Colemans Hatch	-: 3: 5			6
Card, Mr. Abraham	Tompsetts Bank, Forest Row	1: -: -			6
Card, Mr. James	Shalesbrook Farm, Forest Row	8: - : -		4	-
Carey, Wilfred Hardarre Esqre	Broomee Cottage, Forest Row	1: -: -			6
Carr, Mr. Henry	Fords Green, Nutley	- :2 :-			6
Carr, Mr. William	Coffee Hall, Nutley	- :-: 28			6
Carter, Mr. A.E.	Old Forge Lane, Horney Common, Uckfield	1:-:-			6
Carver, P.W. Esqre.	Courtland House, West Hoathly (Late Cohen)				
Castlestewart, The Rt. Hon Earl		23:- :7		12	-
Castlestewart Countess		11: 1: 30		6	-
Champneys Sir F.H. Bart	Littlemead, Nutley	7. 3. -		4	-
Chaplin Mr. James	Upper Morgans Farm, Piltdown, Uckfield (late W.H. Abbey)	19: -:10		10	-
Chapman Fitzroy Keith Esq	c/o A. Martin French Esq Bond St. House 14 Clifford St. London W.1.	8: 1:28		4	6
Chalfield, Mr. Albert Henry	Holly Farm, Piltdown Ur. Uckfield (Late A.H. Abbey)	1: 3: -		1	-
Chilton, Mr. Alfred	144 High Street, Uckfield	3:1:30		2	-
Cholmeley, H.P. Esqre M.D.	Forest Edge, Forest Row	1: 2: -		1	-
Clarke, Lt. col. Stephenson R.C.B	c/o Messrs Daniel Watney & Sons,	190:1:13	4	15	6
Clarke, Chas. Bridges Cornely Esqre	4a Fredericks Place, Old Jewey, E.C.2	595.1.7	14	18	-
Clough, A.H. Esqre.	C/o J.T. Marriott Esqre. Estate office Brockenhurst, Hants	392. 1. -	9	16	6
Coffin, Clifford Esq	Laura House, Forest Row	2: -: 36		1	6
Colchester, The Rt. Hon. Lady	c/o E.P. Whitley Hughes Esqre, East Grinstead	218:-24	5	9	6
Colville, Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley G.C.B	Pixton, Forest Row	38.2.37		19	6
Combe, Lt Col. Herbert	Parrock Wood, Colemans Hatch	12: -: -		6	-
Constable Mrs. Lucy S	Fords Bank, Horney Common, Uckfield	2.2. 28		1	6
Cook, J. R. Esqre	Sharpthorne House, West Hoathly	5: 1: 4		3	-
Cooper, Ernest Esqre. J.P.	c/o Turner, Rudge & Turner, East Grinstead	140:-:-	3	10	-
Corbett Chas. J. Henry Esq. J.P.	Woodgate, Dane Hill, Uckfield	248.1.24	6	4	6
Cottingham, Mr. Geo.	Maresfield	86: 1: 5	2	3	6
Cottingham, Mr. William Hy	Streetfield Farm, Nutley	37:3:17	-	19	-
Cottingham Mr. William Hy	c/o C.J. Parris Esq				
Carris Chas. J. Esq	67 High Street, Tunbridge Wells	65: -:4	1	13	-
Cottington, Mrs. L.E.	Heatherdene, Nutley	-:2:-			6
Cottington, Mr. W	Heaven Bridge Farm, South Common Chailey	3:1:10		2	-
Cowan, Sir W. H. Bart M P	Crows Nest, Fairwarp	94:3:20	2	7	6
Crowhurst, Mrs. William Jim	Graddocks, Hartfield	-: 1:13			6
Cruthendew, Mr. C.H.	122, High Street, Uckfield	2: 1:28		1	6
Curd, Mr. E.A.	Millbrook, Nutley	10:-:-		5	-
Curtes Mrs. E.M.	Lilton House, Redhill, Survey	16: - : -		8	-
Dadewell, Mr. R.	c/o Miss Fullegar & H. Watson Ballards Hill, Goudhurst, Kent	1: -: -			6



Darwin Major Leonard RE	Cripps Corner, Forest Row	33. 2.-		17	-
Davies, Commander *****	Walhatch, Forest Row	2:2:-		1	6
Davis, J.S. Esqre.	Redcot, Fairwarp,	7. 2.16		4	-
Day, Mrs.	The Owls Nest, New Road, Forest Row	- . 2.			6
DeLuttesham, Miss Selma & Meyer Miss	Solvane, Birch Grove, East Grinstead	6. 3. 1		3	6
Katherine					
Denman Mrs. E.H.	Upper Totrase, Buxted (Maris Lodge, Maresfield post late)	3: -:-		1	6
Dennet, Mr. John	Piltdown Nursery, Uckfield	9. 3. 8		5	-
Denny, Colonel	Forest Row	-: 1: -			6
Dodd, Mrs.	c/o Mr. George Martin, Forest Row	1:- :-			6
Douglas, Miss Charlotte Amy	3 Eversfield Road, Eastbourne	- : 2.:1			6
Dowson, Joseph Emerson Esq	Landhurst Wood, Hartfield,	8: -:24		4	6
Duckworth, Geo. H. Esqre C.B.F.S.A	Darlingridge Place, Tye's Cross,	61: 3:23	1	11	-
DuCroze Charles Grant Esqre	East Grinstead				
deas. The Repres of	Court Lands, West Hoathley	55. 2.-	1	8	-
Eason, E. Hy. Phycak Esqre					
East Grinstead Gas & Water Coy.	192 Bishopsgate London, E.C. 2	1. 1. 8		1	-
East Sussex County Council	East Grinstead	1. 3. -		1	-
	The County Accountant, County Hall ,	83. 1. 13			
Eckstein, Freiderich G.J. Esq	Lewes (late W.H. Abbey)	-: -:30	2	2	-
Eden, A.F. Esqre	c/o C. Bush Esq 1, London Wall Bridges E.C.2	285: - :-	7	2	6
Edwards, Mrs. H.A.	The Crossways, Hartfield	5. 3.32		3	-
Edwards, Mrs. Richard	Shawhurst Farm, Hartfield	-: 2:-			6
Elliott, Mr. George	Rutledge, Hartfield	1:2:32		1	-
Evill, Arthur Esqre	Harts Farm, Colemans Hatch	3:- :-		1	6
Faber, Alfred Esq J.P	Ashdown House, Forest Row	32:-:- .		16	-
Farmer, Mr. H.W	Offerton, Forest Row,	3: -:16		2	-
Fellows, Miss N.S. & Nixon Miss E.	Nutley,	- : 2: -			6
Ferris, Colonel. W.B	Summerford, Fairwarp	4:- :-		2	-
Floliett, Esqre	Wilonshurst, Fletching,				
Follett, W.W.S Esq	9 Montague Gardens, Tunbridge Well	26. 3. 8		13	-
Fooks, Philip Edward B Esq	Broomhill, Crowborough,	5:- :-		2	-
Freeland, Mr. P.H.	St.Meddews, St Pauls Cray Road *****	1: 3:-		1	-
Freshfield, Douglas W. Esq J.P.	Nutley,	2. 3.		1	-
Friend, Messrs. J. & H.	Wych Cross Place, Forest Row,	262:1:15	6	11	-
	Wall Hill Farm, Forest Row	43. - :-	1	1	6

Fuller, Miss Millicent	Vaughans, Fletching,	10:- :-		5	-
Funnell, Mr. Trayton	Oakhouse Farm, Danehill	18:1:13		9	6
Fype, Miss Alice	Homesdale, Grove Park, Lee S.E. 12	5 :- :-		2	6
Gasson, Mrs. Agnes	Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	3: 2: -		2	-
Gasson Mr. Thomas	Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	:- 2:32		-	6
Gibb, Esq	Putlands, Fairwarp Late (Clementia Smith)	11: 3:20		6	-
Gilham, Mr. E.J.	Nutley	:- 2 :-			6
Glover, Mrs. Maude	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	:- :-25			6
Godfrey, William Esqre	Mudbrooks Farm, Forest Row	103:3:10	2	12	-
Godley, The Hon. Hugh John J.K.C.	c/o The Rt. Honble Lord Kilbracken South Hartfield House, Colemans Hatch	65:2:26	1	13	-
Goldsmiths Company,Ltd		117:3:10	2	19	-
Gordon, Mrs. Dora H.	"Domaha", Forest Row,	5:1:36		3	-
Greasley. C. Esqre	211. Longley Road, Tooting Junction, S.W. 1	:- :- 20			6
Grover, Mr. Bernard	Nutley	5: 2:13		3	-
Grover Mr. Percy Alwyn	Grovers Farm, Piltdown, nr Uckfield	4: 2: -		2	6
Hale, Miss	c/o Messers. Turner, Rudge & Turner, (East Grinstead )				
Halsey, W.H. Esqre	Hillside, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	1:- :29		1	-
Hambro, R.O. Esqre	Kidbrooke Park, Forest Row	150: - :-	3	15	-
Hardinge, The Rt Honble Sir A.H.-G.C.M.G.K.C.B.	Cold Harbour, Forest Row, Sussex	5:3:19		3	-
Hardy, H.R. Esqre	c/o C.E. Cross, Danehurst Estate Office, Horsted Keynes, Sussex	256:3:35	6	8	6
Harman, Mr. E.	Butcher, East Grinstead	496.1.16	12	8	6
Harmsworth,Vyinyan G. Esqe	c/o W.H. Holden Esq, Valley Holme, Horsted Keynes, Sussex	60: -:18	1	10	6
Harrison, Miss Marion	Holly Grange, Forest Row,	4:- :16		2	6
Harvey, Miss Katharine	Wroth Tyes, Hartfield,	9:3:20		5	-
Haslam, George D. Esqre	Danehurst, Uckfield	44:2:35	1	2	6
Hayllar, Frank H. Esq	41 Marlborough Place, Brighton	11:3:29		6	-
Head, F.H. Esqre	Goldstrow, Piltdown, Uckfield	10:- :-		5	-
Head, Mr. John deced. The Repres of	Mount Pleasant Farm, Ashurst Wood,	49. 3. 2	1	5	-
Heasman, Mrs. C.	East Grinstead				
Heasman, Mrs. Sarah & Heasman, Mrs. Isabella	c/o Mrs. Isabella Heasman, Stone Cottage, Friars Gate, Withyham,	2: -:-	-		6

Heasman, Mrs Christopher	Quabrook, Colemans Hatch (late John Bashford)	3: 2:20		2	-
Decd. The Ecars of	The Homestead, Friars Gate, Withyham				
Heasman Mr. Philip	Little Furnace Farm, Colemans Hatch	2:- :-		1	-
Heasman, Mr. William	Forest Row	3:- :-		1	6
Heath, Miss Daisy	Hamilton Terrace, Forest Row,	:-2 :-			6
Heath, Mr. Joseph Benjamin	Shelley Villas, Maresfield	3: - :-		1	6
Hemsley, Mr. Thomas	Isfield Mill, Isfield, Uckfield	:- 1:19		-	6
Hemsley, Mr. William	1 Paper Buildings, Temple London ECH	:- 1:-		-	6
Henrequies, J.Q. Esq	(late Maryon – Wilson)	6:2:13		3	6
	The Laurels, Nutley				
Henry, Mrs.	Poplar Farm, *****, Uckfield	:- :-3			6
Hill, Mr. W.H.	37, Fleet Street, London E.C. 4	2: - :-		1	-
Hoare, Alfred Esq	Moor Farm, St. Johns, Crowborough(late **)	101:- :-	2	10	6
Hoath, Mr. Amos	Moorlands, Withyham	1: - :-			6
Hoath, Mrs. Lydia	Blackven Farm, Horney Common, Uckfield	4: :-		2	-
Hobbs, Mr. D.E.	(Late Nelson Kenward)	14:- 1: 5		7	6
	Blackven Farm, Horney Common, Uckfield				
Hobbs, Mr. James	Sellwood Place, Forest Row,	:-2 :-		-	6
Hollamby, Mr. J	Forest Row,	:- :11			6
Hollamby, Mr. W	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co. Lewes	:- :16			6
Hope, The Rt. Hon. Jas. F. P.C.M.P.	Sunnyside, Maresfield	520: 3:-	13	-	6
Horgan, Mr. Edmund D.	Wayside,Forest Row	6: 3:39		3	6
Horne, E.A. Esqre	Nutley	:- 2:-			6
Horscroft, Mr. Thomas	41, New Church Road, Brighton	:- 1:-			6
Hounsom,Wm Allen Esq. J.P.	Smithy Cottage, Colemans Hatch	28:- :-		14	-
Hudson, Mr. James	Edgemount, Colemans Hatch	:- 3:-		-	6
Humphrey, Mr. Harry	c/o E.M. Challenor Esqre	6: :-		3	-
Hyde, Thomas Esq deceased The	Solicitor. Abingdon				
Trustees of	The Vicarage, Fairwarp, Uckfield	33:2:-		17	-
Ince, The Reverend J.B.C.	Sunnyside, New Road, *****, Sussex	1: - :-			6
Izzard, Mrs William	Forest Row	1:- :-			6
Jackson, Mr. Arhtur	Maresfield	:- :20			6
Jenkins,Mr. Alfred J.	Cast House Cottages, Forest Row	1: 2: 2			-
Jenner & Brown, Messrs.	Broadstone, Colemans Hatch	:- 2:-			6
Johnson W. Claude Esqre		13:2:26		7	-

Kent, Sir Stephenson K.C.B.	The Secretary Chapelwood Manor, Nutley	322:1:31	8	1	6
Kenward, Mr. Edward	Budlelts, Maresfield,	2: - :-		1	-
Kenward, Mrs J	Piltdown, Uckfield	100: - :-	2	10	-
Kenward, Mr. Nelson	Waldron, Sussex	5: 3:21		3	-
Kenward, Robert Esqre	Barkham Manor, Fletching	74: - :-	1	17	-
Kerr Trefusis, Mrs.	35 Portland Place, London W. 1	3:1: -		2	-
Killick Mrs.S	The Barn, Hartfield,	-: 1:-			6
Kindersley, Sir R.M.G.B.E.	15, Charles Street, Berkley Square, London W. 1	92:- :-	2	6	-
King, Cyril A. Esq	Lewitten Hatch, Turner's Green Uckfield (late Harvey)				
Kirby, Mr. Ernest Fred.	Fords Green, Nutley	8: - : 36		4	6
Kirby, Mr. & Mrs George	Horney Common, Maresfield				6
Kirby, Mr. Herbert	Fords Green, Nutley	1:- :-			6
Lack, Dr.	Brown House, Forest Row	-: 1:-			6
Lambert, G.N. Esqre.	53 Fairfield Road, Saxmundham Suffolk	1. 1.29		1	-
Langridge, Mr. Enoch	Dane Hill, Uckfield	4: 2:-		2	6
Langridge, Mrs. G.	Five Wents Cottages, Buxted, Uckfield (late W.H. Abbey)	1: 2:-		1	-
Lapage, Dr.	Forest Row	1: - 31		1	-
Larnach, Nevil , Mrs.	C/o Stanley Pott Esq, Branbletye, Estate Office, East Grinstead	1: - :-			6
Lawrence, Sir Walter Bart G.C.V.O.	Bunces Farm, Birch Grove, East Grinstead	647:3:10	1	9	6
Legsheath Farm Ltd.	The Secretary, 34 Nicholas Lane, Lombard, Street, London E.C.H.	2: 1:26		1	6
Linskill, Mr. T.H.	Builder, Crowborough Road, Nutley (Ord. No.142 Millbrook Late H. Sprott)	70: 2:22	1	15	6
Loftus, Lt. Col. Douglas	Nutley Court, Nutley	6: 1: 12		3	6
Lomax, Miss Alice M.	Heather View, Fairwarp	18: 2: 5		9	6
Longley, Mr. C. Decd. The Repres. of	Oakhurst, Golf Road, Forest Row	1: - : -			6
Longley C.J. Esqre	-: 1: 1				6
Longley & Waters, Messrs.	Rathcote, Crawley, Sussex (late Du Croz)				
Lucas, Mrs. Alice	Forest Row, Bramblehurst, Ashurst Wood, East Grinstead	40: 1:10	1	-	6
Lucas, F.R. Esqre	Streeters Rough, Chelwood Gate, Uckfield	48:2:15	1	4	6
Lumsden, Robert Jas. Esqre	Wrexham Lodge, Forest Row	29:1:13		15	-
Mackwood, Mrs. *****	Twyford, Nutley	3: - :-		1	6
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Macmillan Harold Esq Madden, Lady	Birch Grove House, near East Grinstead Herontye, Lewes Road, East Grinstead(Late Plevins)	57: 1: 11 3:2 :20	1	9 2	- -
Manners, Mrs. J. T.	Bankside, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5: - :-		2	6
Mansbridge, Mr. James	Spring View, Forest Row	-: - :20		-	6
Marchant Mr.Thomas	Cackle Street, Maresfield, Uckfield	5: -: -		2	6
Maresfield, The Rector of	The Rectory, Maresfield, Uckfield	100 : -: -	2	10	-
Maresfield Village Hall	The Secretary, Maresfield (Village Hall)	-: -: 3		-	6
Marriott, Mr. & Miss Cordelia J	c/o Messrs. Hastie, 65 Lincolns Inn Fields W.C. 2 Hurst Wood HouseHigh HurstWood,Uckfield	65:0:17	1	13	-
Marsden, James Esqre	Lower Morgans Farm, Piltdown Uckfield	3:2: -		2	-
March, Mr. William Chas	(late W. Martin)	16: - 3		8	6
Martin, Mr. Alfred	Woodcote, Forest Row,	4: 1: -		2	6
Martin, Edward Esqre J.P.	Coach & Horses, Dane Hill,	1: 1:28		1	-
Martin, Mr. Frederick	Uckfield (late William Martin)				
	Forest Row,	4: -: -		2	-
Martin, Mr. George T.	Searles, Fletching, Uckfield	5: 1:		3	-
Maryon-Wilson Geo **Esq J.P.		1214:3:	30	7	6
	Dennis Cross, Hook Heath, Woking	26			6
Mashette, Esqre	c/o Messrs. Finnis, Downey, Linnell & Chessher5.	5: - :-	-	2	6
May, Paul Stanley Esqre & others	Clifford street, Bond Street, W 1 14, Salisbury Road, Hove				
Maynard, Edwd. F. Esq N.D.		***			6
Mr. Andrew, John Esqre deced.					
The Repres of	Forest Lodge, Horney Common, Uckfield				
Mc. Lachlan, G.A. Esqre	29, Lant Street, London, E.1	16:1:5		8	6
Meux, H.E. Esqre.	Kingsdown Farm, Burwash Common, Sussex	4. 2.16		2	6
Miles, Mrs. C.A.	Pitlands Farm, Hartfield	1: -: -			6
Miles, Mr. Henry	Dane Hill, Uckfield	4. 1.13		2	6
Miles, Mrs. L.A.E.	The Barracks, Maresfield	13:3:26		8	-
Miller, Mr. Joseph	Prickets Hatch, Nutley (late Steel)	1: -: 17		1	-
Miller, Lt.Col. G.R.	Brook Cottage, Forest Row	33: -:36		17	6
Mitchell, Mr. Alfred	Nutley	- : 2: -			6
Mitchell, Mr. Frank	Roebuck Farm, Wych Cross, Forest Row	-: 2: -			6
Mitchell Mr. William	Ditto	1: 1:-		1	-
Ditto & Eliza Brett	Oak Tree Cottage, Forest Row	-1.10			6
Morice, Norman Esqre.		1:1:24		6	-
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Morris, Major	Fire Brigade H.Q. Southwark Bridge Rd London S E.1 (late Arthur Taylor)	6: 1:31		3	6
Morris, Miss J.V.	Bracklay Cottage, Fairwarp	18:1.26		9	6
Morrogh, Miss	Mount Pleasant Farm, Fairwarp	3: - : -		1	6
Needham, Colonel Charles	Tylehurst, Forest Row,	58: - : -	1	9	-
Neild, Dr.	Shaw Cottage, Hartfield (late Clough)				
Neild, Mr. Thomas	Brugy Mount, Uckfield	4: 1: 7		2	6
Noble, Percy C. Esqre	Fincham Farm, Hartfield	18: 2: -		9	6
Norman, Mr. Henry deced Repres Of	Fairwarp, , Uckfield	6: - : -		3	-
Oldham, Miss K.	Graystone, Crowborough (late Laver)	5: 2: -		3	-
Osborne, Mr. Albert	Oaklands, Duddleswell, Maresfield	- : 3:15			6
Osborne, Bros. Messrs.	Hill End Farm, Nutley	49: - :24	1	5	-
Osborne, Mr. George	Hill End Farm, Nutley	2: 2: -		1	6
Osborne, Mrs. Mahala	Duddleswell, Fairwarp	4:0:11		2	6
Osborne, Mr. Thomas	Nutley,	12:2:-		6	6
Ditto & Harriett his wife	Uckfield	17:- : -		6	6
Osborne, Mr. William	Foresters Arms,	15:2:18		8	-
Ditto & Elizth his wife	Fairwarp, Uckfield	14:2:0		7	6
Oxley, William Esqre	33, Queen's Road, Tunbridge Wells	28. 1. 8		14	6
Pankhurst, Mr. Samuel	Mill House Farm, Maresfield	13: 2: 1		7	-
Parry, Miss E.C.	Dodds Grove, Nutley	9: 2:10		5	-
Parsons, Miss Muriel	Mouse Hole, Forest Row,	1 .2. 19		1	-
Peacock, George L. Esq	Pixton Hill Farm, Forest Row	24: - :-		12	-
Penfold, Mr. Harry	Lisburne, Nutley	2:1:8		1	6
Penfold, Mr. H.	Misbourne Farm, Nutley	16: 2 :25		8	6
Penfold, Mr. John B.	Newlands Cottage, Horney Common, Uckfield	- : 3:-			6
	17, Church Street, Maresfield				
Penfold, Mr. Joseph B	Horney Common, Maresfield	- : 1: 14		1	6
Penfold, Mr. Jeba Sarah	Portobella, Colemans Hatch,	2: 2:-		1	6
Philcox, Mr. George	The Green, Forest Row	2:2:-		1	6
Phillips, Mrs.	The Vicarage, Nutley	-:1:-			6
Phillips, The Revd. J.S,	Ashdown Cottage, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	4: - :-		2	-
Phillis, Mrs.	The Hon, Secy Piltown Common Uckfield	- : 2:-			6
Piltown Golf Club		9: - : 8		5	-
Place, Thomas Esq					

Playford, Miss Agnes	Harlie, Forest Row,	- : - : 16			6
Portman, The Rt. Hon. Viscount	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co. Lewes	212: - :18	5	6	6
Rawlings, G.H. Esqre	Little Denstone, Forest Row	2 : - :-		1	-
Reed Mrs. Emma	Bank Cottage, near Broadstone, Forest Row	2: 2:-		1	6
Richardson, Capt. J.	Pound Gate, Buxted	2: 2:-		1	6
Ridley Mr. A.J	Horney Common, Maresfield	1: -: -			6
Ridley, Mr. F. T	Nutley	-: -:15			6
Ridley, Mr. Harry	Near Church, Cowden, Edenbridge	-: 1:8			6
Ridley, Mr. Henry	Nutley	-: 1: 32			6
Ridley Mrs. Lucy Rose	White House Farm, Horney Common,	19: 2:26		10	-
Ridley Mr. Spencer	Mill Brook, Nutley, Uckfield	12: 2: -		6	6
Ridley Mr. Sylvanus	Nutley	26: -: -		13	-
Riley, Mrs.	Nutley,	3:1:28		2	-
Robert, Mr. W.J. Decd	c/o Messrs Wright, Johnston & Mackenzie				6
The Trustee of	150 St. Vincent St. Glasgow C.Z.	11: -: -		5	6
Robinson, Lt. Col. D.C.	The Homestead, Neild Crescent, Hendon, N.W. 4	11: 3:34		6	-
Rowe John, Esqre	R.A.F.Golf Club, Forest Row	- : 1:13			6
Rumbold, Miss Katherine Cecilia	Yew Tree Hall, Forest Row	4: 2:-		2	6
Rush, Mr. Charles	Courtland Cottage, Horney Common	-: 2: 8		-	6
Russell C.W. Esq and Harding Mrs	Fairkouse Maresfield (late Beddoes)	26: 1:39		13	6
Salesmb, Mr. William	Bridge Hotel, Uckfield	135: -: 7	3	8	-
Samuel Sir Stuart M. Bart					
Bart Decd The Repres of		5:1:29		3	-
Sargent,Mrs.	"Nieuport", De la Warr Rd. East Grinstead	1: -:-			6
Saunders, Mr. Harry	Hawthorn,	- . 1. 3			6
Saunders, Mrs. Harry	Forest Row	- . 1.-			6
Saunders P. Gordon Esq	6,Mount Street, Grosvenor Square W.1	2: 3: 9		1	6
Saville, Miss & Sturdy, Miss	Shepherds Gate, Colemans Hatch	5. 1. -		3	-
Sayers, Mr. Thomas	Post Office, Forest Row, Sussex	- . 1 .-		-	6
Sclater, The Rev. F. & S.	Newick Park, Newick, Lewes	69:0:14	1	15	-
Scott, Mrs Hannah	Duddleswell, Uckfield	0:2:0			6
Seymour, Mr. Mark	Post Horn Lane, Forest Row,	- . 1.	5		6
Shakerley Ackers, G.H. Esq	Moreton Hall Duddleswell, near Uckfield	12. - .		6	-

Shelford, W.H. Esq	Horncastle, East Grinstead	22:2:26	1	11	6
Shepherd, S.D. Esqre	Claypit Farm, Colemans Hatch	4:1:30		2	6
Shoebridge, Mr. Thomas.	Nutley	11:0:24		6	-
Shute, E.P. Esqre deced. The Repres of	c/o Mr. George Martin, Forest Row,	1. - .-			6
Sinclair Mr. George L.	Hazel Cottage, Dormans Land, Lingfield, Surrey	-.: 1: -			6
Sinclair, Capt.	Victoria Villas, Chapel Lane, Forest Row (late Knight)	: - : -:21			6
Shinner, Sir Sydney	West Watch, Birch Grove, East Grinstead				
Shipworth, Mr. L.	Maresfield	8. - .-		4	-
Smallwood, J.E. Esqre	20, Blatchington Road, Hove	- . 1. -			6
Snelgrove, John Sidney Esq	The Plottage, Rept Wood, Forest Row	1. - . -			6
Soames, Arthur Gillstrap Esqre	c/o John Edward Eggleton Esqre	18: 2: -		9	6
	Estate Office, Sheffield Park, Uckfield				
	Mayfield, Sussex	950:0:10	23	15	6
Sprott, Frank Wallace Esq	Solicitor, Crowborough	7. -. 34		4	-
Sprott, Herbert Esq	c/o Herbert Sprott Esq	16. -.13		8	6
Sprott, Herbert Esq	Solicitor, Crowborough				
Hart George E. Esq	Marlpits, Nutley	21. -.14		11	-
Stephens, Mr. Nelson G.	Homewood, Hartfield	3. - .-		1	6
Sterling, Miss F.M	Little Shelf, Nutley	5: 2:-		3	-
Stevenson, Mr. Frank	Collingford, Dane Hill, Uckfield	1. - . -			6
Stevenson, Mrs. Mary Ann	The Shaw, Nutley	5. 2. -		3	-
Stevenson, Mr. Richard	Little Shelf, Nutley	4.2.21		2	6
Stevenson, Mr. Stephen	Sion Cottage, Nutley	11. 1.13		6	-
Stevenson, Mr. W.H.	27 Firle Road, Eastbourne	1. - .-			6
Stoner, Mr.T.J.	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co. Lewes	4.2 .1		2	6
Streatfeild, R.J. Esqre. J.P.	Nutley				
Streater, Mr. William	The Laurels, Fairwarp (late Cotting ** Parris)	12. -. - .		6	-
Sullivan, Mrs. Hilda	The Ballards, Forest Row	4. 1.-		2	6
Swann, Edwd. Arthur Esqre	Chelwood Gate, Dane Hill, Uckfield	2:- .24		1	6
Sydenhaim, Dr. Geo. Merryn	Phoneia Brewery, Brighton	1. - .-			6
Tamplin & sons Brewery Brighton Ltd		3. 2. -		4	6
Taylor, Mr. George	Old Workhouse, Fairwarp, Uckfield				
Taylor, Mr. James	3. Fairview Cottages, St. Johns Road	10. -. -		5	-
Taylor, Mr. John	Nutley	0:1:16		-	6
Taylor, Mrs. John	Henley House, Uckfield	-.: 1:-			6
		: 2: -			6



Taylor, Mr. Thomas	Hartfield Road, Forest Row	- . 2.-			6
Taylor, Mrs.	St. James Road, East Grinstead	- . 1.-			6
Tester, Mr. Fredk	Maresfield	- . 1. 25			6
Thomas G.H &. Esqre	Oakcroft, Hartfield,	2. 0.38	1		6
Thornton, Miss M.R.	Stone House, Forest Row Sussex	5. 2. —	3		-
Tomlins E. Frazer Esq	33 Furnival Street, London E.C.4	7. -.29			4
Tomsett, Mr.	Tompsetts Bank, Forest Row	- . 2. -			6
Tosetti, M.A. Esqre	Cookhams, West Hoathly	34. - . -	17		-
Tribe, Miss F.V.	Nutley,	1. - . -	-		6
Turner, Albert Esqre	c/o Albert Turner Esqre.				
Decd. The Repres of	"Holme", Lewes				
Turner, Messrs C & J.	Whitehouse Farm, Coleman's Hatch	18 . - . -	9		-
Turner, Mr. Edward	Walnut Tree Inn, Brenchley, Paddock Wood, Kent	- . 1. -			6
Turner, Mr. George	Stone Hill Farm, Nutley	2. -. 39	1		6
Turner, Mr. Nelson	Nutley	3. 1. 24	2		-
Turner Mr. William	Nutley	- . 1. -			6
Tyler, Mr. Allen	Horney Common, Maresfield	4. 2. -	2		-
Tyler, Mr. Allen Henry	Horney Common, Maresfield	5. 3. —	3		-
Tyler, Mr. Luther	Fairwarp, (late Cottingham & Parris)	5. 1. 16	3		-
Underwood, Mrs. Fredk.	Post Horn Lane, Forest Row	1. - . —			6
Upton, Mr. Edward	Maresfield	- . 1. -			6
Verner, Mrs.	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	12. - . -	6		-
Vokins, W.H. Esqre	"Beechwood", Withdean, Brighton	7. - .26	4		-
Walker, Miss Hester M.	Prior's Field, Forest Row	1. 2. -	1		-
Wallace, Mrs.	Graddocks Farm, Hartfield (H & Ground)	- . 3. —			6
Waller, Major Robert L.		8. 3. 13	4		6
Wallis, Mr. E. Alfred	4. Sillwood Place, Crowborough	2. - . -	1		-
Wallis, Mrs. Reginald	The Forge, Rotherfield	2. - . -	1		-
Walls, Mrs. Annie	Cackle Street, Nutley	4. - . -	2		-
Walsham, Mrs	Warrenside, Forest Row, Sussex	2. - . -	1		-
Walter, Mr. Alfred	Fairwarp	1. - . -			6
Walter, Mrs. Ellen	Fairwarp	2. - . -	1		-
Walter, Mr. John	Dodds Bank, Nutley	3. - . -	1		6
Warwick, Charles Esqre	Lower Parrock, Hartfield	91. 3. —	2	6	-

Waters, Messrs G & H.	Burnt House Farm, Forest Row	46 . 2 . -	1	3	6
Waters, Messrs H & E	High Gate, Forest Row	62: 0:19	1	11	6
Waters Mr. Henry J.	Highgate, Forest Row,	1 : 3: -		1	-
Waters, Mr. James	Forest Row,	- : 2: 8			6
Weeding, Mr. Daniel	Wrathtye, Hartfield	- . 1. -			6
Weeks, Mr. Fredk. & Robb	Forest Hotel, Forest Row	- : 3:20			6
Welfare Mr. William	Ocklye Farm, Withyham	3. - . -		1	6
Wheatley, Mr. Charles	Whitehouse Bank, Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	3. - . -		1	6
Wheatley, Mr. Fredk	Coleman's Hatch (late Hunt)	- . 2. -			6
Wheatley, Mr. Henry	Nutley	- . 1. -			6
Wheatley, Mr. Joseph	Colemans Hatch,	4. - . -		2	-
Wheatly, Mr. William	Nutley	- . 2.13			6
Wheeler, Mr. Charles	Chelwood Common, Danehill, Uckfield	5. - . -		2	6
White, Mrs.	Nortington Villa, London Rd., Burgers Hill	- . -.11			6
White, Mr. Samuel	White Hall Cottage, Forest Row	- . 1. -			6
Whitewood Mr. Percy F.	Post Office, Nutley	2. - . -		1	-
Wickens Mr. Simeon	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	45. 1. -	1	3	-
Wickens, Mr. Spencer Senr.	c/o Messrs Hunt, Currey & Nicholson				6
Deced, The Executors of	& Co. ,Solicitors, Lewes	15. - . -		7	6
Wickham, Mr. Arthur	Forest Bank, Nutley,	4. 1.25		2	6
Wickham, Mr. Charles A.	Maresfield	- . 2. -			6
Wickham, Mr. Humphrey	Pock Hill, Forest Row,	7: - . -		3	6
Wiffen, Mr. C	Woodlands Maresfield	12. - . -		6	-
Willett, Arnold J. Esqre	2 Little Dean's Yard, Westminster S.W. 1	12. 2. -		6	6
Willett, Dr. E.W.	"Spyways", Hartfield	5. - . -		2	6
Williamson, Geo. F. Esqre	Ashdown, Hartfield	5. - .15		3	-
Willoack, Mrs.	Lampool Farm, Maresfield	10. 1.14		5	6
Wilmott, Mr.	Victoria Villas, Chapel Lane, Forest Row (late Knight	- . -.21			
Wilson, Mr. Edward	Mount Pleasant, Old Lands, Maresfield,	1. - . -			6
Wood, Mr. Ephraim	Duddleswell, Uckfield,	10: 0:16		5	6
Wood, Mrs. E.M. Dayna	The Hollies, 9 Bennett Park, Blackheath, SE	30:3: -		15	6
Wood, Mr. Frederick	Fair Place Farm, Nutley	26: 2: 5		13	6
Wood, Mr. H.	Nutley	- . 1.19			6
Wood, Mr. Jesse deceased The Exors of	Pickeridge, Forest Row (**** Priory Estate)	11: 2 . -		6	-

## Rangers Reports

The Rangers present their respective reports since the last Meeting, showing a considerable influx of gypsies in the Forest Row area.

## Audit Committee appointment of

It is Resolved that Mr. Kenward and Mr. Haslam be appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Conservancy for the current year and to report.

## Miss Rumbold application to lay gas pipe

An application is read from Miss Rumbold of Yew Tree Hall for permission to lay and maintain a two inch gas pipe under the Forest Land from the Rist Wood Estate to Yew Tree Hall, in the same position as the water pipe for which a revocable license was granted to her in 1923.

It is resolved that a revocable license subject to the usual conditions be granted to Miss Rumbold, she paying a yearly acknowledgement of 10/- each to the Lord and the Conservators and the proper charges of the Clerk for preparing the license.

The Bank Pass Books are produced showing the following balances.

General Account	£ 40: 0: 5
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger Account	52: 13: 2
Protection and Improvement Fund	134: 1: 3

## Cheques

It is resolved that the following cheques be drawn:

Herbert Kirby	8 weeks salary as		
	Ranger at £ 2 to 27 <sup>th</sup> instant	£ 16: 0: 0	
Do	House Rent at 5/-	2: 0: 0	
Do	Employer's Insurance	<u>11: 4</u>	18:11: 4
G.W. Hatchett	2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger 4 weeks salary as		
	do £ 2 to 27 <sup>th</sup> instant	8: 0: 0	
Do	Employer's Insurance	<u>5: 8</u>	
			8: 5: 3

The Clerk 1/2 years salary to 31<sup>st</sup> inst. £ 75: 0: 0.

## Rangers Official Armlets and Badges

It is Resolved that each Ranger be provided with an official armlet and badge, designs for which Sir Stanley Colville undertakes to submit.

It is Resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> February next at 2.0. p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary. The Meeting terminated at 1.30.p.m.

Chairman

A Meeting of the Fire Committee duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, on Wednesday, the 16<sup>th</sup> February, 1927 at 2.30 p.m.

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson in the chair

Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley Colville G. C.B

Mr. D.W. Freshfield

" George D. Haslam

The Clerk states that last year two extra men were employed for six weeks, and one for four weeks of 7 days each to cut litter and watch at a salary of £ 2.50 each per week.

### **Employ 2 men during the \*\*\*\***

After a long discussion it is resolved that bearing in mind the fact that no complaint has been received from any Commoner that the Board has not undertaken the cutting of litter and that the extra men employed are not able to cut a sufficient area to justify the expense no cutting be undertaken this year, that the Board be recommended to employ this Spring two men only at the same rate of pay to assist the Rangers as watchers for six weeks each commencing about the 14<sup>th</sup> March next and that Ranger Kirby and Ranger Hatchett do each endeavour to find a suitable man to work with him.

### **Ask Lords permission for non commoners to cut litter**

Also that inasmuch as the Commoners have largely ceased to exercise their right to take litter, which is in consequence rapidly increasing and becoming a serious danger in case of fires, the Clerk apply to the Lord's Solicitors to authorize the Rangers to grant licenses to non-Commoners to take litter during the prescribed months.

### **Notice local appeals**

Mr. Freshfield then reads an appeal he has drawn up to stop, if possible, incendiary fires. It is resolved that he be requested to communicate it to the local press under his own signature about the 1<sup>st</sup> of March with the full approval of the Board.

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Also that the Clerk do draw up a concise appeal to be approved and signed by the Chairman and sent to the masters of all the elementary schools round the Forest with a request that they will exercise their powerful influence to try and put a stop to incendiary fires especially among the rising generation.

Chairman

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### **A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday, the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 1927 at 2.30 p.m.**

Mr. George M. Maryon – Wilson in the chair

Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley Colville G. C.B

Col. Chas. Needham

Mr. James Card

" D.W. Freshfield

" G.D. Haslam

" Edward Martin

" William Mitchell

" Thomas Osborne

Mr. D.W. Freshfield is chosen temporary Chairman.

### **Election of Chairman**

On the motion of Mr. Freshfield seconded by Mr. Haslam Mr. George Maryon Maryon – Wilson is unanimously elected the Chairman of the Board for the current year.

### **Vice - Chairman**

Mr. Maryon – Wilson having taken the Chair, thanks the Board for the compliment paid him in re-electing him as their Chairman for the 27<sup>th</sup> year and states that he will be pleased to accept the office for one more year, but that owing to his recent appointment as Chairman of the County Agricultural Committee and the large number of meetings he has to attend amounting last year to 222 of the County Council and Country Agricultural Committee alone he has not the time to give to the considerable correspondence which the Chairmanship involves. He therefore will be unable to accept office after this year and he suggests that the Board should appoint a Vice-Chairman in order to take his place when necessary and to initiate him \*\*\*\* the duties of the office.

It is resolved that this Board receives the announcement with very great regret and directs that the question of appointing a Vice-Chairman be put on the Agenda for the next Meeting. Apologies are received from Sir F.H. Champneys and Mr. Eckstein for their absence from this Meeting. The Minutes of the last Meeting are then read and confirmed.

## **Election of Committees**

The following Committees are then appointed –

The Forest Row Committee – Mr. Freshfield, Admiral Sir Stanley Colville, Mr. Edward Martin, Col. Needham and Mr. James Card.

The Maresfield Committee – Sir Francis H. Champneys, Mr. Robert Kenward, Mr. G.D. Haslam and Mr. Thos. Osborne.

The Fire Committee – The Chairman of the Board, the Chairman of each District Committee, Sir Stanley Colville, Mr. G.D. Haslam and Mr. Robert Kenward.

## **Rate**

The Clerk reports that the Rate made at the last meeting has been approved by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries and is being collected.

## **Miss Rumbold License for gas pipe**

The Clerk reports that the license to Miss Rumbold to lay a gas pipe to Yew Tree Hall has been granted and the first acknowledgments have been paid and Ranger Hatchett reports that it has been satisfactorily laid.

## **Rangers' Badges and armlets**

Sir Stanley Colville reports that he has ordered three badges for the use of the Rangers as approved at the last meeting of the Fire Committee and produces a sketch and begs the Board to accept them as a gift from him. It is Resolved that the Board do record its grateful acceptance of his gift.

The Clerk reports that Ranger Kirby's bicycle has been repaired to the satisfaction of the Chairman at a cost of £ 1:13:6. It is resolved that the amount be paid out of the general fund.

## **Notice boards**

Mr. Freshfield reports that the Committee dealing with notice boards giving warning against depositing rubbish etc on the Forest, some time since obtained a tender of £ 3:10: 6 each for providing and erecting the boards, which appeared excessive and that his woodman has now offered to make and erect them for £ 1:1:3 each and that Mr. Langridge is prepared to paint the inscriptions for £ 1 each.

It is resolved that the Committee be authorised to procure and erect not exceeding nine boards in suitable positions.

## **Warning notices at entrance to Forest**

Mr. Freshfield reports that the Automobile Association have offered to provide enamelled metal notice plates, warning the public using the roads across the Forest against cattle, if the Conservators will undertake to erect them.

## **Protection and Improvement Fund**

It is Resolved that the Board thank the Association for their offer and ask them to supply six notice plates and that they be erected in due course, the cost to be provided out of the Protection and Improvement Fund and do thank Mr. Freshfield for the trouble he has taken in the matter.

## **Repair of fence at Spring Gardens Farm**

Mr. Roy G. Waters of Forest Row having drawn attention to the guard rail and posts at the side of the road near Spring Gardens Farm at Fairwarp being broken down and offered to repair them the Clerk informed him that the Board would be grateful to him if he would do so.

## **Report as to Stone digging**

The Special Committee appointed to inspect stone digging on the Forest, report that they have viewed the South side and find nothing on which to comment.

## **Sir Henry Cowan protection of Commoners**

A letter is read from Sir Henry Cowan Bart, drawing attention to the provisions of the Law of Property Act 1925 Sec. 193 giving powers for the protection of Commoners and urging that notices round the Forest instead of being printed on paper be printed on paper be printed on enamelled iron sheets.

The Clerk states that he has already informed Sir Henry that practically the same powers as those contained in the Act were conferred on the Board under the Order for Regulation and the Bye Laws and that the question of using enamelled iron plates for notices is under the consideration of the Board.

### **Brown Brook Road repair of**

The following report is presented by the Maresfield Committees and read and it is resolved that it be entered on the Minutes it is as follows:-

The Maresfield Committee met on February 10<sup>th</sup> to view the Brown's Brook Road.

Present:- Mr. G.D. Haslam, Mr. Robert Kenward and Mr. Thomas Osborne.

They recommend that gorse be cut to fill in the ruts and that the sides of the road be thrown up on to the top of the gorse. Where necessary fresh gravel be put.

The Drains taken up and re-laid under the road. Cost about £ 30.

For this expenditure they ask a grant not exceeding £ 20 from the Protection and Improvement Fund.

The remaining expenditure will be met by a Voluntary Subscription Fund

(Signed) Robert Kenward

Chairman

### **Protection and Improvement Fund**

It is resolved that a contribution not exceeding £ 20 be made out of the Protection and Improvement Fund toward the cost of the work.

### **Fire Committee**

The Fire Committee present the Minutes of their meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> inst. as their report (see p. 172 ante) which are read and it is resolved that the acts

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am requested by the Board of Conservators to draw your attention to the fires, which for some years past have been lighted on the Forest and to appeal to you to use your influence with the children attending your School and others you may come in contact with, pointing out the damage and disfigurement they cause, not only to the Forest, but also as a source of serious danger to properties surrounding it. The Board have little doubt that these fires, which occur chiefly in the Spring, are in many cases caused by lighted matches or cigarette ends carelessly thrown down, some by sparks from engines using the roads across the Forest, but others are undoubtedly started by irresponsible youths and boys, and with a favourable wind devastate large areas of the Forest. It is to this class the Board would especially appeal through you, and would be grateful for your co-operation in assisting them in this direction. The Board have employed additional Rangers, and have taken other steps within their powers, to meet this danger as far as possible, but over such a large area of over 6,000 acres, they cannot, without the co-operation for which they now appeal, safeguard effectually the Forest for which they are responsible to the Commoners under Act of Parliament.

Believe me,

Yours Faithfully,

George M. Maryon – Wilson Chairman.

SEARLES, 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 1927.

### **Audit Committee Report**

The Clerk states that owing to indisposition, Mr. Kenward attention to the provisions of the Law of Property Act 1925

Fund toward the cost of the work.

The Fires Committee present the Minutes of their meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> inst. as their report (see p.172 ante) which are read and it is resolved that the acts proceedings and recommendations of the Committee be approved and further that the Committee be authorized to hire bicycles for the use of the extra men to be employed as watchers.

It is also resolved that a letter drafted by the Chairman for transmission to the master or mistress of every elementary school round the Forest asking them to use their influence with their pupils and others to prevent incendiary fires on the Forest be approved and printed and a number of copies be sent to each master or mistress for distribution.

### **Repair of road past Nutley Schools**

A letter is read from Col. Loftus of Nutley Court referring to the resolution passed by the Board on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March last with reference to the repair of the road running past the Nutley School House to the Forest (see p.112 ante) and stating that part of the road has been made good and stone to the value of £ 3:14:0 has been used and that to complete the work further stone will be required at a cost of £ 5:12:0.

### **Protection and Improvement Fund**

It is resolved that Col. Loftus be informed that when the work has been completed to the satisfaction of the Board they will be prepared to contribute £ 5 to be provided out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Training Corps Manoeuvres**

The Clerk reports that with the approval of Mr. Freshfield be granted permission to the Tonbridge School Officers Training Corps to carry out field operation for about two hours on that part of the Forest around Wrens Warren.

### **Lady Hudson enquiry**

The Clerk reads a letter from Mr. Parris on behalf of Lady Hudson enquiring whether the Conservancy claim any rights over a strip of land. The Official Map attached to the Award under the Regulation having been examined, it is found that the strip is outside the jurisdiction of this Board, and the Clerk is instructed to reply accordingly.

### **Audit Committee Report**

The Clerk states that during to indisposition, Mr. Kenward was unable to take part in the Audit of the accounts for 1926 and Mr. Haslam presents the following report which is read and it is resolved that it be entered on the Minutes and that Mr. Haslam be thanked for the great trouble and care he has taken in the matter.

The Report is as follows:-

To the Conservators of Ashdown Forest

Owing to the illness of Mr. Robert Kenward I have had to carry out the audit alone.

I have today examined (1) The General Account (2) The Second Ranger Account and (3) The Account of the Protection and Improvement Fund, each for the year 1926. I have checked the balances brought forward from last year and the various receipts and have compared the payments charged to each account with the Vouchers for same and have checked the casting of the Accounts and find them all correct. I recommend that the following cheques be drawn in favour of the Clerk, in repayment of his disbursements during the year 1926 viz:-

Account No. 1                      £ 29: 3: 7

Account No. 2                      3:12:11

The Accounts stand today as follows:-

Account No. 1    in hand    15: 2: 7

Account No. 2    do        50: 2: 0

Protection and Improvement Fund do    123:17: 9

The sum of £ 159:15: 4 Consols and the sum of £150 5% War Stock 1929/47 represent the investments held on account of the Protection and Improvement Fund. I found the accounts well kept and correct. A number of Rates are outstanding, partly, as the Clerk states, to the breaking up and sales of large properties and the difficulty of tracing all purchasers and partly, to the difficulty during the last year of the Second Ranger, in obtaining reliable information. Mr. Fovargersa is devoting himself to this work and a complete register of Commoner's holdings is being compiled. The position of the Second Ranger account will require consideration, as the subscriptions at present amount to about £ 100, while his salary and rent amount, apart from incidentals to £ 130.

Dated 23<sup>rd</sup> February 1927

G.D. Haslam.

### **Ranger's Reports Gypsies**

The Rangers reports are then produced. Ranger Kirby's reports contain nothing of importance.

Ranger Hatchett reports that a large number of gypsies have had to be removed from his part of the Forest. That he obtained a conviction against one Henry Brazill who was fined 10/- and prepared summonses against three others, but they have left the neighbourhood and he has them ready in case they can be traced.

## War Memorial Forest Row Camp

That the work to the War Memorial at the site of Forest Row Camp, has been satisfactorily completed subject to the sowing of grass seeds.

## Dangerous pit

Also that a stone pit near the Ridge at Colemans Hatch is in a dangerous condition, there being an unprotected drop of from 15 to 20 feet. Also chat the fence round the sand pit at Shalesbrook requires repair. It is resolved that the Lord be requested to have these pits properly protected.

## Major Darwin application to erect seat

An application is read from Major Darwin, applying for consent to his erecting a seat on the Forest, about half way between Cripps Corner and the gate into the Prestidge Warren. On a motion that it be granted there voted 2 for and 5 against. The motion was therefore \*\*\*\*\*.

## J. Bradford Jarvis application for License

Mr. J. Bradford Jarvis attends before the Board and applies for permission to improve the areas to two plots of land on the open Forest, North East of Nutley Court, one No.146 on the Ordnance Map, the other unnumbered, a little to the South and also permission to convey water from a spring on the Forest a little North of No. 146 to the house on that plot. It is resolved that on Mr. Jarvis furnishing the Clerk with clean details the matter be referred \*\*\* Maresfield Committee to investigate and request to the Chairman, who is to have full power to decide whether a license shall be granted and on what terms or not. The Board then went into Committee.

## Afforestation

The Chairman reports that Lord Lovat, the President of the Afforestation Authority recently applied to Lord De La Warr for consent to planting part of the Forest with trees, that Lord De la Warr was strongly in favour of it and had had a long interview with him (the Chairman). Lord De La Warr urged that (1) it would be an improvement to the Forest and beneficial to the Commoners, (2) that it would reduce the danger of fires, and (3) that it had been a success in other places and the Chairman had promised to lay the matter before the Board and inform his Lordship of their views.

A long discussion took place and as the result on the motion of Mr. Freshfield it was resolved that to join in a petition to Parliament to approve such a scheme would be to betray the \*\*\*\* vested in the Board on behalf of the Commoners and that the Board cannot therefore consent to any such scheme. The Clerk was directed to inform Lord De La Warr of the Board's Views.

Mr. A Ridley application to \*\*\*\* \*

The Board having received Mr. A. Ridley of Nether Farm, Nutley attends and states that he has purchased from Mr. Nelson Kenward the Southernmost of four plots of land on the West side of the main road opposite Dodds Bank, to the two centre of which plots, the Board agreed to grant licenses for a road across the Forest land in front, which Mr. Kenward has not yet taken up (see p.76 ante) and Mr. Ridley applies for a license to make a carriage road across the strip of Forest land to his plot, vehicles to turn inside his gate.

It is Resolved that a revocable license be granted to Mr. Ridley on the same terms and conditions as those agreed to in the case of Mr. Kenward.

## Scouts camping

A letter is read from the 119<sup>th</sup> North London Troop of Boy Scouts, asking permission to camp on the Forest near Wych Cross from the 30<sup>th</sup> July to the 13<sup>th</sup> August next. It is resolved that consent be granted on the usual conditions.

## Cheques

It is Resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:-

The Clerk, No. 1 Account as recommended by the Audit Committee	£ 29: 3: 7
Do No. 2 account do	3: 12: 11



Ranger Kirby 9 Weeks salary @ £ 2 to 28 <sup>th</sup> inst	18: 0: 0	
Do House rent	2: 5: 0	
Do Employers insurance	<u>12: 9</u>	20:17: 9

Ranger Hatchett 9 Weeks salary @ £ 2 to 28 <sup>th</sup> inst	18: 0: 0	
Do Employers insurance	<u>12: 9</u>	18:12: 9

Lastly it is Resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup> May next at 2:30 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary. The meeting terminated at 5.0.p.m.

Chairman

**A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday, the 4<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1927 at 2.30 p.m.**

Mr. D.W. Freshfield in the chair  
 Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville G. C.B  
 Colonel Chas. Needham  
 Sir F.H. Champneys Bart  
 Mr. James Card  
 Mr. F.G.J. Eckstein  
 " G.D. Haslam  
 " Edward Martin  
 " William Mitchell  
 " Thomas Osborne

A letter is read from Mr. G.M. Maryon – Wilson stating that he is away from home.

**Chairman**

It is resolved that in his absence Mr. D.W. Freshfield do take the Chair, which he having done, A letter is read from Mr. Kenward stating that his absence is due to illness, but he hopes to attend the next meeting. It is resolved that the Clerk convey to him the regret of the Board at the cause of his absence and wish him a speedy and satisfactory recovery.

**Minutes**

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed.

**F. Bradford Jarvis License**

The Clerk reports that the grant of a license to Mr. F. Bradford Jarvis referred to at the last Meeting has been approved by the Maresfield Committee and the Chairman.

**Rangers Armlets and badges**

The Clerk reports that he obtained six armlets for the Rangers at the cost of £ \*\*\* and supplied them to the Rangers with the Badges Sir Stanley Colville was good enough to present on the morning of the Easter Monday.

**Protection and Improvement Fund**

It is Resolved that the armlets be paid for out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books, showing the following balances:-

General Account	£ 147: 5: 9
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranger Account	37: 6: 4
Protection and Improvement Fund	157:13: 7

**Vice – Chairman**

It is resolved that in the absence of the Chairman the consideration of the appointment of a Vice – Chairman be deferred till the next meeting.

### **Fires**

The Rangers report that numerous fires have occurred since the last meeting a list of which they supply. Ranger Hatchett in whose area the larger number of fires occurred gives a full account of the exertions of himself and his assistant in putting them out and states that for the last three weeks he and his assistant have been out early and late and have not been able to secure more than five hours sleep each night. He points out that if he had quicker means of moving about, he would be able to render more effective service in extinguishing fires, but it is very difficult to move rapidly 6 or 7 miles over very hilly country on a push bicycle. After going fully into the matter with both Rangers it is resolved that from the information collected the Board are driven to the conclusion that the bulk of the fires are deliberately lit. Mr. Freshfield suggests that if funds would permit it may be expedient to supply the Rangers with motor cycles.

Mr. Freshfield reports that having regard to the continuance of serious fires on the Northern part of the Forest, the services of the assistant, Craddock have been continued for another two weeks till the 9<sup>th</sup> May, and it may be desirable to continue them a little longer.

It is resolved that his services be continued so long as Mr. Freshfield finds it necessary not exceeding another four weeks.

An Account of the expenditure of the Fire Committee to date is presented amounting to £ 39:16: 4 and it is resolved that the amount be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

Mr. Freshfield points out that the frequent fires are entailing heavy expenditure on the Board and that this must force the Board to curtail their grants for local improvements if not to take further steps to add to their available funds.

### **Electricity Order collapsed**

The Clerk reports that application was made for a Central Sussex Electricity Special Order, which would have affected the North West Corner of the Forest, that he lodged objections on behalf of the Conservancy, but that the application has since collapsed.

### **Annual return**

He lays on the table a duplicate of the Annual Return made to the Ministry of Health.

### **F. Dann, repair of road to Misbourne Farm**

The Maresfield Committee report that they have considered a letter from Mr. F. Dann of Danehill, drawing attention to the very bad state of the road from the Clock Tower, Nutley, to Misbourne Farm and present the following report which is read namely

The Maresfield Committee met on March 10<sup>th</sup> 1927 all members being present.

After inspecting this road, it was decided to fill in the ruts with gorse and to level the sides of the road on to the top of this. To cut grips through the bank to prevent the water on the hills running too far and thus damaging the road. We estimate the expense to be about £ 12 or £ 15. This we suggest should be paid from the Protection and Improvement Fund.

We also found the fence over the stream broken and as this was considered dangerous the Ranger was instructed to get it repaired at once

(signed)                      Robert Kenward  
Chairman

It is Resolved that the Report be approved and that the Maresfield Committee be authorized to expend not exceeding £ 12 in carrying out the work suggested.

### **Miss Dunbar application to repair track**

An application is read from Miss Dunbar of Fairwarp for permission to make up a track from her land at Fairwarp on which she has erected a Cottage, to the road half way between Fairwarp and Oldlands Gate.

It is resolved that a revocable license be granted to her to repair and maintain but not to metal the track in question, not exceeding a width of 9 feet, on payment of an acknowledgement of 15/- per annum and the Clerk's proper fees for preparing the license and stamp duties such license to contain the usual stipulations

### **Dangerous pits**

Col. Needham and Mr. Martin draw attention to the dangerous condition of the following pits owing to defective fencing, namely,

3 pits near Coleman's Hatch Road.

Honeyavell Quarry near Cherry Orchard

Pit at Shalesbrook

The Clerk states that he recently wrote to the Lord's Solicitors requesting that the fences round some of these pits be repaired and the Ranger reports that the Lord's men are repairing some of them.

The Chairman reports that owing mainly to the absence from home of members of the Forest Row Committee he had been unable to secure a quorum. He reads a memorandum he had drawn up in anticipation of their meeting which Colonel Needham had seen and approved.

### **Fires \*\*\*\* , Refuse**

In referring to the recent fires he pointed out the burning of the thick gorse near the village of Forest Row and elsewhere had given evidence of the great extent to which the Forest is used as a dumping ground for refuse of every description and the urgent need of action by the competent Local Authority. It was a serious matter in which the Board might feel it its duty to make a public remonstrance in the proper quarter unless the nuisance was speedily taken in hand.

### **Notices- danger from cattle**

Mr. Freshfield reported that in pursuance of the arrangement sanctioned by the Board with the Automobile Association that body had presented 8 metal plaques warning motorist against the danger from Forest sheep and cattle. Five of these plaques had been erected on posts in the Forest Row District, the remaining three (with posts) were ready at Hindleap Farm to be handed over to the Maresfield Committee for erection.

The cost of the 5 posts (including erection) was £ 4:13:9. The cost of the three (without erection) £ 1:19: 9. Mr. Osman holds them to be called for by Ranger Kirby.

Six posts carrying the form of notice against breaches of the Bye laws by Motorists approved by the Chairman (Mr. M. Wilson) have been erected at \*\*\*\* points at a cost of £ 13:17:6 (£ 6: 7: 6 for wood and labour and £ 7:10/- got painting) In the last ten days since these were put up there has been a marked \*\*\*\*\* in the amount of rubbish left by visitors.

It is proposed to put up further posts of this character to the number previously sanctioned by the Board.

### **Protection and Improvement Fund**

The action taken by Mr. Freshfield was approved and expenses as above, ordered to be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund

### **P.O. Telephone lines applications for**

A representative of the Post Office attends and applies for the Board's consent to certain telephone lines being carried over the Forest, namely,

1. An overhead line with 5 poles from the poles on the main Uckfield to London Road along the West side of Fords Green.
2. An underground cable between poles 32 and 33 on the same main road opposite Forest Crest.
3. An underground cable from the poles on the same main road immediately opposite the Nutley Inn to Hill End Farm on the Road to Chelwood Gate.
4. An underground line from the poles on the Duddleswell Road, a little above the Fairwarp School to Col. Mc Clintock's house, Spring Gardens.

The several applications having been considered, it is resolved that having regard to the very conspicuous position the poles referred to in application 1 would occupy, the Board regret that they are unable to consent to it, but that the other applications be granted.

### **Hire of room charge for**

The Landlord of the Nutley Inn having stated that the present payment of 5/- for hire of the room for the Board Meetings is insufficient, particularly in winter when a fire is required and that he would in fact prefer that the meetings were held elsewhere it is resolved that he be paid 10/- for each meeting winter and summer including today.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger Fund**

In reply to an enquiry as to finances, the Clerk states that the present subscriptions to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger Fund do not cover more than about two thirds of his salary and house rent. It is resolved that the matter be brought up at the next meeting.

### **Maresfield Rector of objection to pay Rate**

The Clerk reads a letter from Messrs. Powell & Co. of Lewes on behalf of the Rector of Maresfield, objecting to the payment of his rate of £ 2:10: 0 on the ground that he has barely an acre of globe land.

The Clerk explains that while the rights of the other Commoners are levant and couchant i.e. to turn out as many cattle as their lands entitled to rights of common will \*\*\*\*, the claim of the Rector, made and admitted in the Great Suit of 1689 was a claim in gross, to turn out 2 bulls and 31\*\*\*\* on the Forest, evidently pursuant to some ancient grant and that his rate is calculated on the acreage of land required to winter then cattle and that the Rectors have always paid on that basis, also that he is entitled to let this right which no other Commoner can do.

It is resolved that Messrs Powell be informed that on payment of the arrears the Board will be prepared to take the matter into consideration.

### **Gypsies**

The Clerk points out the main difficulty in dealing with gypsies. If a summons is issued against a gypsy for breach of a Forest Bye Law by the time it is due for hearing, he has left the neighbourhood, probably altered the name on his van, and cannot be traced. The Clerk suggest that if gypsies and other caravaners were compelled to take out a license for their vehicles, and to produce it when required in the same way as owner of motor cars there would be no difficulty in tracing them. It is resolved that the Board are favourable to the proposal and approve of the Clerk Endeavouring to secure legislation to that end on the understanding that the Board is not responsible for any expenditure in connection with it without their express authority.

### **Cheques**

It is Resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:-

Ranger Kirby 10 Weeks salary @ £ 2 to 9 <sup>th</sup> inst	20: 0: 0	
Do House rent	2:10: 0	
Do Employers insurance @ 1/5	14: 2	
Do Ridley repairs to bicycle	<u>1:17: 0</u>	25: 1: 2
Ranger Hatchett 10 Weeks salary @ £ 2 to 9 <sup>th</sup> inst	20: 0: 0	
Do Employers insurance @ 1/5	<u>14: 2</u>	20:14: 2

It is Resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> July next at 2:30 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The meeting terminated at 4:15.p.m.

Chairman

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**A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday, the 27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1927 at 2.30 p.m.**

Mr. Geo. M. Maryon - Wilson in the chair

Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville G. C.B

Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart

Colonel Chas. Needham  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. F.G.J. Eckstein  
" Robert Kenward  
" Edward Martin  
" William Mitchell  
" Thomas Osborne

A letter is read from Mr. Haslam regretting that he is called away from home. The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed. Mr. Kenward thanks the Board for the kind expression of their sympathy in his recent illness.

### **Vice Chairman**

The Chairman states that it is not so much thereon of attending the meetings of the Board and of Committees that induced him to suggest the appointment of a Vice – Chairman, but the enormous amount of correspondence that has devolved upon him during his 27 years of office, between the Meetings. He reminds the Board that on one occasion the Clerk mentioned that he had written over 2000 letters during the year, a great proportion of which were referred to him and that in consequence of the heavy and increased work of the County Council it was imperative that he should obtain some relief.

Mr. Freshfield states that during the recent absence

of the Chairman the correspondence had devolved on him and until then he had realized the amount of work cast on the Chairman.

### **Degradation of certain duties to Chairman of District Committees**

After some discussion it is resolved that during the interval until the next meeting of the Board, in all matters in respect of which the Clerk requires instruction (other than important matters of policy) he do communicate with and act on the instructions of the Chairman of the District Committee to which the matter relates.

### **Sir Geo Collier claim to rights in respect of Water Farm**

Sir George Collier of Water Farm attends before the Board and claims rights of common on the Forest in respect of Water Farm in the Parishes of Forest Row and Hartfield comprising inclosures nos. 512, 513, 1539, 1540 & 1541, on the Ordnance Map 1898, containing 4a.2r.26p. of which he is the Owner and Occupier and produces witnesses whose evidence is taken by the Board, namely Richard Divall aged 84 who was born at Quabrook and has lived practically all his life close to Water Farm and states that when he was a small boy it was occupied by one Heasman and deposes that the successive occupiers all his time have turned out their cattle on, and taken litter from the Forest, also William Card aged 62 states he was born on Water Farm which his Father purchased from Heasman and confirms the evidence of Richard Divall as to exercise of rights from his early boyhood to the present time.

The Board having considered the evidence on the motion of Mr. Kenward seconded by Mr. Freshfield, it is resolved that the claim of Sir George Collier be admitted and that his name be inserted in the schedule of Commoners.

### **Forest Row Committee Report**

The Forest Row Committee present the following report which is read and it is resolved that it be entered in the Minutes viz:-

The Forest Row Committee met at Wych Cross Place on July 19<sup>th</sup> 1927 at 11 p.m.

Present – The Chairman, Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville, Colonel Needham and Mr. E. Martin.

### **Notice Boards Cattle**

The Chairman reported the erection of posts with notices warning motorists to beware of cattle at the main entrances to the Forest. The metal plaques had been supplied gratis by the Automobile Association who promised to use their influence in the Press and otherwise to induce motorists to desist from lighting fires, throwing away matches and leaving paper about.

### **Do observe Bye Laws**

Further notice boards had been erected requesting motorists to observe our Bye Laws in there respects.

### **Additional Bye Law Board \*\***

It was resolved to recommend to the Board the erection of a post with a warning against their breach, at the entrance to the Forest on the road close to Tylehurst.

### **Parking of cars**

The Chairman called the attention of the Committee to the recent action of the Board in permitting the parking of cars on the Forest, subject to the control of the Rangers. It appeared to him to have on the whole worked so far satisfactorily, obstruction to the main roads had been avoided and litter or permanent damage had been caused to the surface of the Forest. He would like however to raise the question whether it might not be desirable to forbid any parking within a few yards of private grounds and gardens lying close to , or surrounded by the Forest. There were cases where such parking and the consequent \*\*\*\*\* must prove a serious interference with the privacy of the occupants. He suggested that a Protective four similar to that allowed for protection from fires, might be created when asked for. He believed this would be a reasonable restriction on the privileges allowed to motorists by the Board. After some discussion the matter was left for further consideration should occasion arise.

### **Gypsies Refuse**

Ranger Hatchett reported that he had been active in removing gypsies and in collecting the refuse of their camps

### **Weeds**

He had also cut away the thistles on the site of the late War Camp below Cherry Orchard.

### **Fires**

He further reported that there had been many small fires on the Golf Course, caused, he considered, by the carelessness of golfers in throwing away matches or cigarette ends.

### **Waggon tracks over Forest**

He produced a letter he had that day received from the Clerk to the Board, enclosing one from the Secretary to the Golf Club complain that wagons going from Hartfield High road to Broadstone Warren had in the neighbourhood of Bank Cottage \*\*\*\*\* from the old timber track below green 16 and injured the fairway created by the Club.

The Chairman stated that the complaint, which was new to him, probably referred to the wagon used by him in conveying timber from Broadstone Warren, and that he would look into the matter and write to the Clerk a letter that might be laid before the Board at its next meeting.

### **Deer killed**

It was reported by the Chairman that the body of a deer that had been shot and left in an offensive condition on the Forest, had at his request, been promptly removed by the Sanitary Authority at Uckfield. He understood that our Clerk had communicated the facts and evidence connected with the case to Lord De La Warr's Solicitors but as far as he was aware no prosecution had been instituted.

### **Mrs. Osborne approach to house**

Mr. E. Martin called attention to certain work which was being carried out by Mrs. Osborne in improving the approach to her house at Highgate Forest Row. It was suggested that the Clerk should be instructed to inform her that any material interference with the surface of the Forest would require the sanction of the Board. Douglas W. Freshfield Chairman.

The Clerk reads the following letter from the Freshfield referred to in the report, namely,

Wych Cross Place  
Forest Row, Sussex  
22 July 1927

Dear Sir,

### **Timber tracks**

As to the timber tracks, I am ready to give up the alternative track complained of and with that the question should end.

But the Golf Club has got an unfortunate idea that it owns and has a monopoly of that part of the Forest between the Warren and the cultivated land on the Hartfield Road and some of our residents, who should know better, fail

to appreciate that the privileges granted to the Club are subject to the prior rights of the Commoners and owners of the Warrens.

I am asking the Secretary to the Golf Club to supply me with a map showing their greens as at present constituted. I think it may be a surprise to some members of the Board to see what a cobweb of greens and fairways has been slowly spread over this part of the Forest.

Yours truly  
Douglas W. Freshfield

It is resolved that the Board are quite satisfied with Mr. Freshfield's explanation as to the wagon tracks and thank him for the prompt action he took in remedying the damage. It is further resolved that the acts and proceedings of the Committee as reported be approved and confirmed.

### **R.A.F. Golf Club cutting turf etc**

Ranger Hatchett reports that the R.A.F. Golf Club have taken turf from several spots for repairing their greens and have carried out extensive drainage works. The Clerk states that has not been applied to for permission to perform these acts. It is resolved that the Forest Row Committee be requested to view the spots and report to the Board.

### **Gypsy injured allowed to camp**

Mr. Freshfield reports that on the 21<sup>st</sup> instant John Kings a gypsy who had camped with a van, wife, children and four horses near the Camp Memorial, when moving off the Forest, was run into by a motorist and his hand was seriously injured involving an operation by 2 Doctors last evening and that under the circumstances he had authorised the party to remain a few days on the Forest. It is resolved that Mr. Freshfield's action be confirmed.

### **Honeywell Quarry**

The Clerk reports that he wrote to the Lord's Solicitors on the 14<sup>th</sup> inst drawing their attention to the dangerous condition of the Quarry between Wych Cross and Cherry Orchard and Ranger Hatchett reports that the Lord's Agent has promised to repair the fence.

### **Maresfield Committee Report**

The Maresfield Committee present the following report which is and it is resolved that it be entered on the Minutes namely:-

The Committee met at Nutley on Thursday July 21<sup>st</sup> 1927. Present Mr. R. Kenward and Mr. Osborne.

### **Road to Misbourne Farm**

They inspected the repairs to the road across the Forest to Misbourne Farm and found these had been carried out as per instructions from the Committee at a cost of £ 12 by Mr. Colman, in a very satisfactory manner and we now ask for the payment from the Protection and Improvement Fund for the amount expended as promised.

### **Browns Brook Road**

We afterwards visited the Browns Brook Road, upon which a sum of about £ 60 has been expended. This money we consider has been very badly spent and not in the manner as suggested by the Committee, no water table has been made but the ruts filled in with Forest gravel, which is very expensive and the water is still running in the middle of the road, which must soon cause further trouble, as the Brown Brook property has been sold, and we are given to understand

Permissions the perform these acts. Its resolved that the forest law committee be requested to \*\*\*\* the and report to the found Gypsy requested Mr.Freshfied reports that on the 21<sup>st</sup> instant of the things.

### **Allowed to camp**

A gypsy who had camped with a van, wife, children and four houses near the camp memorial, where moving off the forest, was run in to by a motorist and his hand was seriously injured involving an operation by 2 factors last evening and that under the circumstances he had authorised the party to remains a few days on the forest. it is resolved that the their fault's action the conferential. It is resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 12th October next at 2 p.m. or on any other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The meeting terminated at 4.20 p.m.

G.M. Maryon-Wilson  
Chairman

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**A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday, the 12th October, 1927 at 2 p.m.**

Mr. George M. Maryon-Wilson in the chair  
Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart  
Colonel Needham  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. D.W. Freshfield  
Mr. F.G.J. Eckstein  
Mr. Robert Kenward  
Mr. Edward Martin  
Mr. William Mitchell  
Mr. Thomas Osborne

Letters are read from Admiral Sir Stanley Colville and Mr. Haslam regretting their inability to attend this meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting are read and confirmed

**Appointment of Vice Chairman**

With reference to the appointment of a Vice Chairman the Chairman states that while the arrangement of referring matters not involving any question of principle to the Chairmen of the District Committees to which they relate has so far worked satisfactorily it is very desirable that a Vice Chairman should be appointed who will familiarise himself with the general duties of the office and take the place of the Chairman when unable to attend and upon the motion of Sir Francis Champneys seconded by Mr. Eckstein it is unanimously resolved that Admiral Sir Stanley C.J. Colville be appointed Vice Chairman for the remainder of current year.

**Forest Row Committee report**

The Forest Row Committee present the following report which is read and it is resolved that it is be approved and entered on the minutes. It is as follows:

The Forest Row Committee met on September 19th 1927. Present Mr. D.W. Freshfield (Chairman), Admiral the Honble Sir Stanley Colville, Colonel Needham, Mr. Jas Card and Mr Edward Martin.

The Ranger reported on the condition of the Golf Course which was satisfactory.

**Parking cars**

Mr Freshfield reported he had to take steps to prevent cars parking on the private roads leading to Cherry Orchard And Cherry Orchard Cottages. He suggested the Board might before long be called on to create "forbidden areas" on the Forest where no parking was allowed.

**Weed cutting**

The correspondence that had lately passed between the County Council surveyor and the Chairman of the Board with regards to the cutting of thistles and other weeds on the Forest was reported and the Ranger stated how far he had been able to carry out the Surveyor's request.

**Cartage of timber**

The Ranger reported a correspondence he had had with the Clerk as to damage done to the forest by the firm removing Lord De La Warr's timber from Wren's Warren. The matters complained of had been seen to by the Clerk.

**Flow of water over road**



Mr. Winkley Smith complained that water from the drive to Ashdown Place poured across and injured the road from the Lewes high road to the Golfers Hotel at the junction. In the opinion of the Committee, the Board had no responsibility for the upkeep of these roads.

### **Weller killing deer**

The Ranger reported that Weller had killed another deer on the Forest and was offering the meat for sale. He was instructed to report as fully as possible to the Clerk so that Lord De la Warr's solicitors might be communicated with and the culprit who is a pest to the neighbourhood prosecuted.

Douglas W. Freshfield  
Chairman

### **Cartage of timber from Wrens Warren**

The Clerk reports that he granted a licence to John Stenning & Sons Ltd. to deposit and cart timber from Wrens Warren for 30 days for which they paid 10/- to the Protection and Improvement Fund and deposited £1 as security for making good damage to the Forest surface.

### **Road to Browns Brook**

Mr Kenward reports that he viewed the Road to Browns Brook which Mr Saxon undertook to repair and in view of the fact that Mr. Saxon has sold his property and left the neighbourhood, and the impossibility of getting him to complete the work he authorised the Clerk to pay Mr. Saxon £15 settlement.

The Clerk reports he has paid the amount out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Road by Nutley School**

At the meeting held on 23rd February last (p.178 ante) the Board promised a contribution of £5 to Col. Loftus towards repair of the lane past Nutley School when the work had been completed to their satisfaction.

Ranger Kirby reports that the work has been completed in a satisfactory manner and it is resolved that this contribution be now paid to Colonel Loftus out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Cutting of weeds**

The Clerk reports that he received a letter from the Secretary of the East Sussex Agricultural Committee requesting the Board to have the injurious weeds on the Forest destroyed pursuant to the Corn Production Act (Repeal Act) 1921. The Chairman very kindly interviewed the Secretary of the Agricultural Committee, and arranged that without prejudice to the question of liability (1) The Rangers should be instructed to destroy the weeds in the most dangerous parts this year as far as possible (2) The whole question should be brought before the Board at this meeting, and (3) should also be discussed at the Commoners' meeting in December next, with a view to their taking the necessary steps at the proper season next year. The Chairman having further explained the position.

It is resolved that the thanks of the Board be awarded to the Chairman for the very satisfactory way in which he has dealt with the matter.

It is further resolved that the whole matter be brought before the Commoners at their next meeting and that they be invited to co-operate.

### **Greenhall**

The Clerk reports that the use to make and maintain a roadway to the stables outside the fence at Greenhall has been completed.

### **Licence to E. Tasker**

The Clerk reads a letter from Mrs. Tasker of Mardens Hall applying on behalf of her son William Tasker for permission to fill in the ruts with stone in the track crossing the Forest and about 100 feet in length from Holly Cottage to the main road for the passage of a car.

Ranger Kirby reports that he has examined the spot and that the track is an ordinary forest track some 70 years long mostly used by tradesmen.

## Weller

It is resolved that the matter be referred to the Maresfield Committee to enquire into and report with their recommendations if any to the next meeting with regard to the depredations of the man Weller, it is resolved that the Clerk arrange to interview Lord De La Warr and inform him of what has been done by Weller and the danger he is to the local inhabitants and try to induce his Lordship to take such steps as will resolve the neighbourhood of his presence.

The Clerk produces a list of those residents in and around the Forest who, it is suggested, should subscribe to the Second Ranger Fund, and he also submits a draft circular to be sent to them, after consideration of which it is resolved that Mr. Freshfield be requested to redraft the circular in terms he outlines and that it be printed and sent to each person on the list.

## Rangers' reports

The Rangers' reports are then gone through and considered.

## Finances

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books which show the following balances in hand:

General Account	£148.15.7
2nd Ranger Account	£53.3.10
Pro & Imp Fund	£121.4.8

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

## Ranger Kirby

11 weeks salary at £2	
to 17th inst.	£22.0.0
House Rent	£2.15.0
Employee Insurance	£0.15.7
	£25.10.7

Rangers Hatchett 11 weeks salary at £2 to 17th ...	22.0.0
11 weeks salary at £2	
to 17th inst.	£22.0.0
Employee Insurance	£0.15.7
	£22.15.7

## Creasey Son & Wickenden, 10

Weeks rent of 2nd Rangers	
Cottage to 19th September	£5.5.0

Lastly it is resolved that the Annual Meeting of the Commoners be held on Wednesday the 14th December at 11 a.m. at the Nutley Hotel at Nutley, and that the next meeting of the Board be held immediately after the Commoners' meeting or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The meeting terminated at 3.20 p.m.

G.M. Maryon-Wilson

Chairman

14th December, 1927

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**The Annual Meeting of the Commoners interested in Ashdown Forest duly convened by the Clerk by notice on the principal door of the Church of each of the Parishes and Ecclesiastical Districts into which the Forest extends by advertisements in two newspapers circulating in the neighbourhood, to wit, "The Sussex Express" and "The Sussex Daily News" at least fourteen days before this date and by notice sent by post to each Commoner and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley, on Wednesday the 14th day of December 1927, at eleven o'clock of the forenoon.**

Mr. George M. Maryon-Wilson in the chair  
Admiral, The Honble, Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B.  
Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart.  
Col. Charles Needham  
Sir George Collins  
Mr. James Card  
Mrs. E.M. Curtis  
Mr. F.G.J. Eckstein  
Mr. Geo. D. Haslam  
Mr. Alfred Faber  
Mr. Herbert R. Hardy  
Mr. Robert Kenward  
Mr. William Mitchell  
Mr. Thomas Osborne  
Mr. H. Jesse Ridley  
Mr. John Rowe  
Mr. H. Waters

Mr Maryon Wilson having been elected Chairman and having taken the chair.

The Clerk reads the notice convening the meeting, and reports the due publication thereof as above mentioned.

The minutes of the last Annual Meeting of the Commoners are read and confirmed.

#### Election of Conservators

The Clerk reports that the Conservators who retire by rotation on the 31st list are Mr Douglas William Freshfield, Mr. Edward Martin, Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart. and Mr. Thomas Osborne , and that he does not seek re-election.

The Chairman then invites communications to fill the four vacancies.

It is proposed by Admiral Sir Stanley Colville seconded by Mr. Robert Kenward that Mr. Douglas William Freshfield be re-elected a Conservator.

It is proposed by the G.D. Haslam, seconded by Mr. F.G.J. Eckstein that Sir Francis H. Champneys be re-elected a Conservator.

It is proposed by Mr. James Card seconded by Sir F.H. Champneys that Mr. Thomas Osborne be re-elected a Conservator.

It is proposed by Mr. Maryon William seconded by Sir Francis H. Champneys that Mr. Herbert Ronald Hardy be re-elected a Conservator.

No other Commoner having been proposed the Chairman declares the four above proposed Commoners duly elected Conservators of the Forest for the ensuing three years ending the 31st December 1930.

The Chairman states that Mr. Edward Martin had been a very valuable member of the Board, having acted as a Conservator for 24 years during which time he had been a constant attendant at the meetings of the Board and had taken an active part in the work of the Forest Row and other Committees and it is a matter of great regret that failing health has compelled his retirement.

Mr. Card stated that during his term of office he had particularly looked after the interests of the small commoners.

#### **Weeds cutting**

The Chairman states that the East Sussex County Agricultural Committee are the authority for enforcing the provisions of the Corn Production Acts in East Sussex and that under the Injurious Weeds Order 1921 the occupiers of land are required to destroy injurious weeds growing on their lands, and in particular thistles and

ragwort, and that occupiers are bound to comply with the Act, and on failure to do so are liable on conviction to a penalty of £20. That three years ago Mr. Bartlett was appointed by the Ministry of Agriculture as their Inspector for this District and that he is paid by the Ministry, and is therefore no charge on the County Council. The Agricultural Committee are greatly satisfied with the excellent work he has done of which the Chairman gives an extract from the report of the Inspector last visit. That in August last the Agricultural Committee wrote to the Clerk drawing attention to the extensive growth of weeds on the Forest particularly along the borders of the roads. That this raised an important question, who are the occupiers of the Forest for the purpose of the Act. The Chairman who is also the Chairman of the Agricultural Committee conferred with the Secretary of the Committee at Lewes, and without prejudice to the question who are the occupiers he arranged (1) That the Rangers should be instructed to destroy the weeds in their respective acres in the most dangerous parts during the current year (2) That the matter would be put before the present meeting of the Commoners with a view to action being taken next year.

The question for the consideration of this meeting is how the Commoners can assist the Rangers in dealing with this work.

A full discussion then takes place, and various suggestions are made. Ultimately it is agreed without prejudice to the legal question that the Rangers so far as they are able shall cut the weeds next season and that if any additional labour is found necessary it shall be provided out of the Forest Rate, provided that such outlay during the coming year does not exceed £25.

These being no other business the proceedings closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman for the trouble he has taken in the matter.

H.C. Hardy  
Chairman.

14 December 1927

A meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley on Wednesday the 14th day of December 1927 at 12.10 p.m.

Present

Mr. George M. Maryon-Wilson in the chair

Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville

Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart.

Colonel Charles Needham

Mr. James Card

Mr. F.G.J. Eckstein

Mr. G.D. Haslam

Mr. Ronald Hardy

Mr. Robert Kenward

Mr. William Mitchell

Mr. Thomas Osborne

The Chairman states that he has received a letter from Mr. Freshfield regretting his inability to be present owing to a prior engagement and welcomes Mr. Hardy as a new member of the Board.

The Minutes of the last meeting are read and confirmed.

The Clerk produces and reads the following Certificate of the Chairman of the Commoners meeting held to day and it is resolved that it be entered on the minutes viz.

Mr. W.A. Raper.

Clerk to the Conservators of Ashdown Forest.

As Chairman of the meeting of Commoners duly convened and held this day at the Nutley Inn Nutley for the purpose of electing four Conservators in the place of those who retire from office by rotation on the 31st day of December instant I hereby intimate to you that at the said meeting Mr. Douglas William Freshfield, Sir Francis

Henry Champneys Bart., Mr. Thomas Osborne and Mr. Herbert Ronald Hardy were elected Conservators for the ensuing three years.

Dated this 14th day of December 1927

G. M. Maryon-Wilson

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Sir Stanley Colville thanks the board for the honour they conferred upon him at the last meeting in his absence in appointing him Vice Chairman of the Board but regrets that his numerous engagements render it impossible for him to undertake the position.

It is resolved that the matter of electing a Vice Chairman of the Board be adjourned till the first meeting in the new year.

East Sussex County Council application to take road materials

An application is read from the East Sussex County Council for the consent of the Board to their taking gravel and sandstone from the Forest for repair of their roads during the year ending 31st March 1929. The Clerk reports that the application is for the same quantities and from the same localities as granted for several years past. It is resolved that consent be granted subject to the some conditions as in past years.

Maresfield Committee Report

The Maresfield Committee present the following report which is read, and it is resolved that it be entered on the minutes namely:

2nd December 1927

Your Committee met on Friday the 2nd December 1927. Present Mr. G.D. Haslam, Mr. Thomas Osborne and Mr. Robert Kenward.

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We viewed the track near St Thomas Church. Crowborough and recommend that Mr. W. Tasker be granted a licence to fill in the ruts, and metal where necessary to a length of about 73 yards and width about 9 feet, we suggest £1 per year should be the amount to be paid to the Protection and Improvement Fund

Robert Kenward

Chairman

It is resolved that the report and recommendation of the Committee be approved.

Miss. Rogers claim to rights admitted.

Miss Edith C. Rogers the owner of Romany Cottage at Fairwarp attends to claim rights of common on the Forest in respect of that property no 662 and 1715 on the Ordnance map containing just under one acre.

Mr Clayton Waters aged 73 who was born on the property attends and gives evidence which established a continuous user of the forest by turning out a cow and taking litter for 60 years last past.

It is resolved that the claim be admitted and that the name of Miss. Rogers be inserted in the Schedule of Commoners and thereupon she paid to the Clerk the current year.

Mr. P.E. Took's application

A letter is read from Mr. Philip E. B. Took of the 30th ulto. pointing out the impossible condition of the roadway from Cackle Street to Dodds Bottom and Hole Farm, which he understands is maintainable by the Conservators. The Clerk replied that the Conservators are not responsible for the repair of the roads on the Forest but that he would lay the letter before this Board.

The Ranger reports that it is a matter for the Sanitary Inspector and that his attention has been drawn to it.

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Lady Castle Stewart licence for roads

Mr. Lane, Secretary to Eleanor May, Countess Castle Stewart attends and applies for a licence to carry two roads across the strip of forest land in front of the field Her Ladyship has purchased from Mr. Nelson Kenward, as she is

about to erect 12 to 18 cottages on the land. The Clerk reminds the Board that they agreed to grant a revocable licence for two roads into this land to Mr. Nelson Kenward at the meeting held on the 25th February 1925, but that he did not take up the licences.

It is resolved that a revocable licence be granted to Lady Castle Stewart to make two roads across the Forest land each not to exceed [blank] feet in width, subject to the usual conditions, that she pays an annual acknowledgement of 10/- to the Lord and 10/- to this Board and the proper charges of the Clerk for preparing the licence and a Counterpart.

Lord Gleichen

The Clerk reads a letter from Lord Gleichen suggesting that the Board avail themselves of the services of the Boy Scouts in matters connected with the Forest. It is resolved that the suggestion be considered at the next meeting of the Board.

Mr. F.H. Chapman Ashdown Place

Mr. A. Martin French, agent for Mr. Fitzroy K. Chapman the owner of Ashdown Place, Forest Row, attends before the Board and applies for permission to carry out certain works on the Forest adjoining for the purpose of preventing gypsies camping thereon to the annoyance of the neighbours.

It is resolved that the application be referred to the Forest Row Community with power to act.

J. Holcombe Poplar Farm cutting birch

Ranger Hatchett having reported that on the 26th ulto he found Mr. Holcombe of Poplar Farm, Forest Row, cutting about a cord of birch wood just below Cherry Orchard, who stated he was authorised to do so by Mr. E. Waters of Forest Row. The Clerk wrote to Mr. Waters and Messrs. E. Waters replied that Holcombe was their tenant of Poplar Farm and entitled to do so.

The Clerk points out that the occupiers of only certain ancient hearths are entitled to estovers of birch, willow and alder and that as the land in question is an enclosure or \*\*\*\* made since the Decree of 1693, the only way in which a claim to estovers can be established is by proof of user as of right for 60 years last past. It is resolved that the matter be referred to the Clerk for further information and consideration.

Audit Committee

It is resolved that Mr. Robert Kenward and Mr. George D. Haslam be appointed a Committee to audit the accounts for the current year.

Greenwood Gate foul pool

A letter is read from the Sanitary Officer at Heathfield drawing attention to a foul pool of water opposite Greenwood Gate cottage. It is resolved that the Clerk enquires into the matter.

R.A.F. Golf Club application

An application is read from the R.A.F. Golf Club for permission to make right alterations to the course at the 14th hole by easing off a sharp bank and slightly enlarging the green on the other side.

It is resolved that the request be granted.

Ranger Kirby as Lord's Reeve

Earl de la Warr's Solicitors having applied for the consent of this Board to Ranger Kirby acting as the Lord's Manor Reeve for the year 1928. it is resolved that such consent be granted.

Rangers reports

The Rangers' reports are then considered and Ranger Hatchett reports that considerable cartage of timber across the Forest is taking place from the east side of Wrens Warren. The Clerk states that he has an appointment to meet Lord de la Warr's agent, Mr. Pusey, on the spot to examine into the matter.

Post Office telephone line

The Clerk reports that he granted a revocable licence to The Post Master General to lay a short underground telephone cable at High gate to [blank] on payment of 1/- per annum. It is Resolved that the Clerk's action be

confirmed. An application is read from the Post Master General for the consent of the Board to the erection of 2 telephone posts a continuation of the existing line along the road be referred to Sir Stanley Colville, and Col Needham with power to act.

#### Rate

It is resolved that as the rate made on the 22nd day of December last will be exhausted by the next meeting notice be given on the agent for the next meeting of the Board to make a new rate, and that the Clerk prepare the necessary documents for the purpose.

#### Mrs. Marian Sharp deposit of refuse

Mrs. Marian Sharp of High Plat, Nutley having written complaining of the deposit of refuse in the lane leading past the Nutley school, it appears that the refuse is outside the boundary of the Forest and that the board has therefore no jurisdiction.

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books which show the following balances in hand.

General Account	£173.2.0
2nd Ranger Account	£41.18.3
Pro. & Imp. Fund	£129.0.10

#### 2nd Ranger appeal

The Clerk reports that the appeal for the 2nd Ranger fund was posted on the 23rd November last to 108 residents with the result that so far he has received 2 donations amounting to £4.10.0 and seven more subscriptions amounting to £11.19.0.

#### Cheques

It is resolved that cheques be drawn follows:

#### Ranger Kirby

10 weeks salary at £2 to 26th inst.	£20.0.0
House rent	£2.10.0
Employers insurance	£0.14.2
£23.4.2	
Ranger Hatchett	
10 weeks salary at £2 to 26th inst.	£20.0.0
Employers insurance	£0.14.2
£20.14.2	
Creasey Son & Wickenden	
14 weeks rent of 2nd Ranger cottage at 10/6 to 26th instant	£7.7.0

#### The Clerk

Small bills	£7.6.1
Postage and receipt stamps for year	£6.15.11
Telegrams, travelling expenses	£10.19.5
Half year salary to 31st instant	£75.0.0
£100.1.5	
The Clerk on 2nd ranger account	
Insurance of 2nd Ranger	£1.0.3
Ranger postage for year	£1.10.10
£2.11.1	

Martin C.S. repairs to 2nd ranger bicycle £0.17.2

Banister E printing Account no.1 £4.12.6

Account no 2 £1.8.0

Also that the following sums be withdrawn from the Protection and Improvement Fund to repay the Clerk.

Craddock, 1 weeks wages fire extinction £2.5.0

Martin, C.E. repairs to his cycle	£0.14.6
Castle Stores tools for weeds	£1.3.8
Saxon, grant towards repair to Brown's Brook road	£15.0.0
Col. Loftus ditto road by Nutley school	£5.0.0
Banister E printing	£0.12.0
Osman for notice boards. plates and erection	£1.15.3
£6.10.5	

It is resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 15th February next at 2.30 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The meeting terminated at 1.50 p.m.

G.M. Maryon-Wilson  
Chairman

### **A meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley on Wednesday the 29th day of February 1928 at 2.20 p.m.**

Present

Mr. George M. Maryon-Wilson in the chair  
Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville  
Colonel Charles Needham  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. D.W. Freshfield  
Mr. Herbert R. Hardy  
Mr. G.D. Haslam  
Mr. Robert Kenward  
Mr. Thomas Osborne

#### **Election of Chairman**

Mr. Freshfield having been chosen temporary Chairman on the motion of Sir Stanley Colville, seconded by Col. Needham, Mr. George Maryon Maryon-Wilson is unanimously elected Chairman of the Board for the current year.

Mr. Maryon Wilson having taken the chair, thanks the Board for the compliment they have paid him in electing him their Chairman for the 28th year in succession and states that he accepts the office for at any rate this year though he was strongly disposed to make it a condition that the Board should elect a Vice-Chairman. He points out that the Board controlled some 6200 acres of Forest land, and have the interests of some 400 Commoners to protect, and it is therefore most important that they should elect a Vice Chairman, in order that he may acquire the knowledge necessary to qualify him for the Chairmanship of the Board, especially as the time is coming when advancing years will necessitate the retirement of some of the older members of the Board. He trusts therefore that they will today make this election and on this understanding he accepts the appointment.

#### **Vice Chairman Election of**

A discussion follows with regard to the appointment of the Vice Chairman for which Mr. Herbert R. Hardy is proposed, but he points out that he is a new member of the Board. Ultimately he states that he will be prepared to consider favourably a proposal next year to accept the office.

#### **Committees**

The following Committees are then appointed:

The Forest Row Committee - Mr. D. W. Freshfield, Admiral Sir Stanley Colville, Col. Needham, Mr. Herbert R. Hardy and Mr James Card.



The Maresfield Committee - Sir Francis H. Champneys, Mr. G.D. Haslam, Mr. Robert Kenward, Mr. F.G.J. Eckstein, and Mr. Herbert R .Hardy.

The Fire Committee - the Chairman of the Board, the Chairman of each District Committee, Sir Stanley Colville, Mr. G.D. Haslam, Mr. Robert Kenward and Mr. Herbert R .Hardy.

The following letter from Mr. Dunning of Legsheath Farm is read and discussed:

15th December 1927

Dear Mr. Raper

I am sorry that I was prevented by an accident from getting to the meeting at Nutley yesterday when I intended to raise the question of a possible patrol of the Forest. Therefore, I hope you will not mind my writing to see if there is any possibility of something being done.

In my part of the forest, between Wych Cross and Stone Farm, the number of fires is highly dangerous. I myself two years ago was obliged to call my people to stop a fire between Legsheath and Coldharbour Manor which, had it got out of hand, would have been highly destructive and I think it is only a matter of chance that the trouble has not been greater. Last summer I took occasion to drive through the forest as often as possible and my conclusion is that with the rapid increase in the number of motorists and in the almost unrestricted movement of the so-called "gypsies" something ought to be done in the way of productive measures.

Our particular Ranger at Forest Row is considerate and efficient in the highest possible degree, but no Ranger without a motor cycle or motor car can cover very much ground and the harm is generally done before he can be sent for. Then we continue to see fires lighted by motor parties (who are even worse than the "gypsies") some of them on the very site of the Conservator's fire notices. One of the worst cases I have seen was at Wych Cross itself last summer when people from two motor cars with London numbers lit a roaring fire in woodland just off the road and went away leaving it alive.

I must beg you to understand that this is not a criticism for our Ranger does everything that is humanly possible, but my suggestion is that at least during six months of the year a special patrol be provided to cover the whole of the Forest. I do not know if the Conservators have means at their disposal for much production and if they have not I should think it possible to raise a sufficient annual fund by contributions. Certainly I should be happy to contribute. I suppose any such patrol must possess the authority of the Conservators. It would not cost much to employ a man and supply him with a small second hand motor car in which he could patrol a regular route over the Forest and he should have a telephone in his house. Residents on the forest would soon get to know the approximate times of his movements and would, of course, co-operate with him. He would also be able to prevent the so called "gypsies" from setting down in front of residential property because there are plenty of places where the vagrants can go, and my experience is that they will do so once they ascertain definitely that they are not wanted in a particular area.

Furthermore he could help to prevent the present lifting of holly, which is pretty extensive. Within a few days a party from Nutley has raided some supplies of holly near Plaw Gate. Poaching I personally do not mind as I am only too glad to have the rabbits kept down.

This is what I was going to say if I had been able to reach Nutley yesterday and had been granted a hearing. I want to report as explicitly as I can that I have no grievance whatever and I am sure nobody else has against the Rangers. In fact the precise opposite is the case; but I do not see how he can accomplish much under present circumstances. I happen to know that a highly efficient member of the Sussex police, who knows the Forest intimately, is planning to retire, and it is my suggestion that, if the cost can be provided for, he might be taken on, on moderate terms to do this work.

I admit of course that I am a prejudiced party in making this plan and I have become even more sensitive on the subject since you were able to arrange with the Lord of the Manor to lease me certain trees at Legsheath which are considerably endangered by the fire nuisance. Furthermore, as a very keen motorist myself, I would show no mercy to the London and other people who misuse the Forest, for in these days of thermos bottles it is quite unnecessary for anybody to start a fire and I have seen many cases where fires were lit simply from some childish desire, which expired as soon as the blaze was well started, and then the incendiaries immediately drove off.

Forgive me for writing to you at much length. I am sorry I could not appear and for an opportunity to argue the question on the 14th. "Argument" is probably the right word, become no doubt at least one of the Commoners would speedily have sought to put me in my place.

If you use get time and opportunity, would you be good enough to let me know what you think.

Faithfully yours  
James Dunning

W.A. Raper Esq.

Mr. Dunning is then introduced to the meeting and the Chairman informs him that the Board are in complete sympathy with his views and are very grateful for his help but that the great difficulty is the provision of funds. After discussing the whole subject, Mr Dunning made a definite offer to present his Ford motor car to the Board for the use of the Ranger, or in the alternative to provide a motor cycle for his use. It is resolved that the whole subject be referred to the Fire Committee for consideration.

### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed.

### **Greenwood gate foul pool**

Mr. Kenward reports that after the last meeting, he and the Clerk met Lady Norbury at the pool in front of her entrance lodge. Mr Kenward pointed out that the Board are not responsible, and suggested to her Ladyship either to fill up the pit or to lay a drain from the bottom of it under her carriage drive into her boundary ditch, so as to flush the sink water from the Lodge which now discharges into it.

The Clerk afterwards replied to the Sanitary Officer's letter, reporting what had transpired.

### **Wrens Warren damage by cartage**

Mr. Kenward reports that at the some time he met Lord De La Warr's Agent at Wrens Warren, who undertook to make good the damage done to the surface of the Forest by the cartage of the timber from the Warren.

### **Repair of drain at Fairwarp**

Ranger Kirby reports that he has cleaned and re-laid the pinnock and drain at Fairwarp adjoining the Buxted Park Estate about which Messrs. Powell & Co. complained.

### **Post Office telegraph lines**

The Clerk reports that Sir Stanley Colville and Col. Needham having approved the application of the Post Office to erect two telegraph poles in continuation of the existing line along the Wych Cross to Nutley road, he granted a licence for this erection.

He also reports that the Post Office have withdrawn application to lay a telegraph cable to Summerwood.

### **Lord Edward Gleichen's and Mr Duckworth's suggestions**

The Board then consider the suggestion made by Lord Edward Gleichen and by Mr. Duckworth that having regard to the member of car owners who picnic on the Forest, power should be obtained for the Rangers to collect a shilling or more from the owner of each car for the privilege, which should result in a substantial contribution to the funds of the Conservancy.

It is resolved that the proposals contained in their letters be referred to the Fire Committee for consideration.

### **Boy Scouts**

Also that Mr. Hardy's suggestions of making use of the services of the Boy Scouts on the Forest in connection with fires be referred to the same Committee.

Mr. Freshfield states that he has been unable to \*\*\*\*\* a meeting of the Forest Row Committee to consider the following matters and has therefore had to undertake them himself.

### **Miss Bayley application to alter direction post.**

Miss Bayley of Shepherds Bank, Forest Row, has written that the lane leading to her house and to two others (which is a cul-de-sac) is often mistaken by motorists as a thoroughfare, and asks permission to alter the notice board at the entrance to indicate that the lane is only an approach to her and two other houses. Mr. Freshfield recommends that consent be given. It is resolved that consent be granted.

#### **Mrs. St John application to metal Forest track**

Mt. Chas Elcock of Coleman's Hatch, asking on behalf of Mrs. St John, owner of Whitehouse Bank having applied for permission to metal an existing track of about 55 yards across Forest land from the property known as Whitehouse Bank, northward to the high road from the bridge to Chuck Hatch, Mr. Freshfield recommends that a licence be granted, subject to the track not exceeding 10 feet in width, and to the usual conditions, including water table and the grantee paying an annual acknowledgement of £1 and the Clerk's proper charges for the licence and counterpart. It is resolved that the recommendation be approved.

Mr. Freshfield further reports that the work approved by his Committee for relieving the repair of Ashdown Place from gypsies in camping near his property by the cutting of certain trenches, and for diverting surface water from the Forest, which flowed into the grounds of Ashdown Place has now been satisfactorily carried out.

He also reports that the posts and fastening of the Quabrook Forest Gate having decayed, steps are being taken to reinstate it. It is resolved that the cost be defrayed out of the Pro. and Imp. Fund.

#### **Miss Sturdy improvements near Shepherd's Gate**

Mr. Freshfield recommends that Miss Sturdy be authorised to carry out at her own expense, certain improvements near Shepherd's Gate in continuance of the improvements carried out in 1926 to which the Board contributed. It is resolved that permission be granted.

#### **Mr. Winckley Smith posts erected.**

Ms. Winckley Smith having erected two posts outside the ledge of his property at Tompsetts Bank to keep tradesmen's carts off the grass, applied for the approval of the Board. Mr. Freshfield recommends that permission be granted for the posts to remain, provided Mr. Smith gives an undertaking that he will remove them when called on by the Board to do so.

#### **Restoration of road near Greenhall**

Mr. Smith also applies for permission to restore at his own expense the condition of the pond near Greenhall, as it was before the military interfered with it during the war, and so prevent the water from it from running down the road.

Mr. Freshfield reports that this will be an improvement and recommends that his request be accorded to. It is resolved that both recommendations be approved.

#### **Trees planted**

Mr. Freshfield reports that Mr. Winkley Smith has planted some alder trees outside his boundary, but as he was no objection to their being allowed to remain, it is resolved that no action be taken.

#### **2nd. Ranger bicycle repairs**

It is resolved that the 2nd Ranger be authorised to have his bicycle repaired at an estimated cost of 45/-

#### **Mr. R.J. Reid repair of track**

A letter is read from the Mr. R.J. Reid who has recently purchased Spring Gardens at Fairwarp for his permanent residence, asking the Board's help in restoring the forest road leading from near Fairwarp Church to his house.

#### **Dr. Ormond repair of track**

A letter is read from Dr. Ormond of the Croft, Fairwarp, drawing attention to the bad state of the Forest road from near Fairwarp Church and School to the front of the Croft, which is used by tradesmen to his house. Ranges Kirby states that the principal approach to the Croft is by another road from the Duddleswell Road which is in good condition.

It is resolved that both applications be referred to the Maresfield Committee with power to act, but not to expend more than £10 to be provided out of the Pro. & Imp Fund.

## **Weald Electricity Bill 1928.**

The Clerk reports that by this Bill the Weald Company are applying to take over the electricity part of the Crowborough District Gas and Electricity Company's undertaking which gives power to supply electricity within the parishes of Crowborough, Buxted & part of Withyham. The promoters informed the Clerk that they cannot insert any protective clause as the Bill does not extend the powers or area of supply as regards the Forest given by the original act but that they will be anxious to do nothing that will impair the amenities of the Forest.

## **Rangers' Reports**

The Rangers' reports are gone through, but contain nothing of importance, except that Ranger Kirby reports that a small fire occurred on Stone Hill on the 28th ulto (cause unknown) which he extinguished after burning about 20 rods.

## **Audit Committees report**

The Audit Committee appointed to audit the accounts for the year 1927 present the following report which is read, and it is resolved that it be entered on the minutes namely,

To the Conservators of Ashdown Forest your Audit Committee have today examined (1) The General Account (2) The Second Ranger Account, and (3) The Accounts of the Protection and Improvement Fund each for the year 1927. We have checked the balances brought forward from last year and the various receipts and have compared the payments charged to each amount with the vouchers for same, and have checked the casting of the accounts and find them all correct.

The balance of each amount stood on 31st December last as follows

Account No. 1	in hand £45:9:5
Account No. 2	in hand £11:2:10
Protection and Improvement Fund	in hand £103:11:1

The sum of £159:15:4 Consols and the sum of £150 5% war stock 1929-47 represent the investments held on account of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

We found the accounts well kept and correct.

The position of the Second Ranger account requires serious consideration, as the subscriptions at present amount to about £110, including new subscriptions £24:7:0 resulting from the Chairman's recent appeal, while his salary and rent amount apart from incidentals to £131:6:0.

For the convenience of audit, we have instructed the Clerk in future to use receipt books with counterfoils for receipts in respect of the 2nd Ranger Fund and the Protection and Improvement Fund.

Dated this 29th February 1928.

Robert Kenward  
George D. Haslam.

It is resolved that the report be approved and that the accounts be signed by the Chairman, also that the thanks of the Board be accorded to the Committee for their valuable services.

## **2nd Ranger Fund**

The Clerk reports that the result of the Chairman's recent appeal for new subscriptions to the 2nd Rangers Fund has so far resulted in 11 new subscriptions aggregating £28:7:0.

It is resolved that the position of this fund be referred to the Fire Committee for consideration, and that meanwhile the Clerk is authorised to write to these persons who have not responded to the recent appeal, reminding them that he has not received a response and that funds are urgently needed.

## Rate

Pursuant to directions given at the last meeting, the Clerk reports that the funds of the Conservancy are now exhausted, and having submitted an estimate of the expenditure for the current years accounting to £325, it is proposed by Mr. G.D. Haslam, seconded by the Honble Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B. and unanimously resolved that a rate be made for defraying the expenses of the Conservators in the execution of their duties under the Award made under the provisions of the Inclosure Acts 1845 to 1878 and the Commons Regulations (Ashdown Forest) Provisional Order Confirmation Act 1885 to be levied on the respective owners of the rights of common upon Ashdown Forest at the rate of sixpence per acre in respect of their respective lands to which such rights attach, which owners and their respective acreages and the sums payable by them respectively are hereinafter set forth, namely

Name	Address	Acreage	Amount £	s	d
Abbey, H.R.B. Esq.	Chelwood Corner, Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	92:1:0	2	6	6
Abbey, William Henry Esq.	Uckfield House, Uckfield	941:3:37	23	11	0
Abbey & Sons	Kemp Town Brewery, Seymour Street, Brighton	21:1:9	0	11	0
Allfrey, The Misses	Wilmshurst, Fletching	12:3:20	0	6	6
Allitt, Mr. Alfred	Boringwheel Mill Farm, Maresfield (late Maresfield Park Estate)	23:3:23	0	12	0
Anderson, Mrs. J.N.	Horney Common, Maresfield	2	0	1	0
Appleby Mr. Herbert	Ivy Cottage, Fords Green, Nutley	1:1:34	0	1	0
Appleby Mr. Horace	Hadlow Down, Uckfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Arbuthnot, Miss Dorothy	Forest Lodge, Sharpthorne, East Grinstead	12:1:8	0	6	6
Arbuthnot W.R. Esq. Decd. The Repres, of		[blank]			
Ashdown Forest Hotel Ltd.	The Managers, Forest Row (late Tamplins Brewery)	0:2:30	0	0	6
Ashdown Forest Ladies Golf Club	Per Miss Fellowes, Hon. Secy., Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Ashdown, Mr. Thomas	Ivy Cottage, Friars Gate, Withyham	1:2:0	0	1	0
Avis, Mrs Jessie & others	North Lodge Laundry, Horney Common, Maresfield	9:2:23	0	5	0
Avis, Mr Obadiah	The Hollies, Fryars Gate Withyham	1:2:0	0	1	0

Bailey, Mrs.	Gena, Forest Row (late Bishop)	0:1:0	0	0	6
Baines, Miss Isobel	Sunnyside, Hartfield (late Peckham)	0:1:16	0	0	6
Baker, Mr. Charles	Chelwood Common Dane Hill Uckfield	3		1	6
Baker Mr. Elias	Chelwood Common Dane Hill Uckfield	2	0	1	0
Baker Mr. William	Chelwood Gate, Uckfield	2	0	1	0
Baldwin, Mr. Thomas	Hartfield Road, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Ballard & Co. Messrs.	Southover, Lewes	2:2:0	0	1	6
Barchard, Misses. A.E. & E.E.	Campfield Rough. Fairwarp, Uckfield	1:0:15	0	1	0
Bashford, Mr. George	Berlyn Farm, Quabrook< Forest Row	6:1:19	0	3	6
Beach, Mrs. J.N.	The Winal, Forest Row	2	0	1	0
Beamish, Admiral T.P.H. C.B. R.N.	Chelworth, Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	57:1:17	1	9	0
Beckwith, Mrs S.H.	“Pilton”, Chapel Lane, Forest Row (late Mrs. Bond)	0:0:20	0	0	6
Belfield, Mr. A.	Vale Cottage, Chelwood Gate, nr East Grinstead (late Box)	3	0	1	6
Belisha, Albert Isaac Esq.	Pixton Hill Farm, Forest Row (late Peacock)	24	0	12	0
Bellairs, A.E. Esq.	Stone House, Forest Row	[blank]	0	0	6
Bennett, Mr. George	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	0:2:4	0	0	6
Bennett, Mr. J.	Furners Green, Dane Hill, Uckfield	2	0	1	0
Best, Mr. A.	Dodds Bank, Nutley (late Nelson Kenward)	21:0:21	0	11	0
Best, Mr. Enoch	Horney Common, Maresfield (late W.H. Abbey)	0:1:14	0	0	6
Birch, Col. Edward M. C.B., D.S.O.	13 Moorpark Avenue, Preston	[blank]			
Birch, Fredk. Peregrine Esq., The Repres. of	C/o Richard Epps Esq., 149 ST. John’s Road, Tunbridge Wells	3:3:12	0	2	0
Birch, Francis J.P. Esq.	c/o Messrs. Stone, Simpson & Mason, Tunbridge Wells	30	0	15	0
Bishop, Mr. Samuel & Son	Forest Row	1:1:0	0	1	0

Blackie, Alfred Esq.	Ulverstone, Marden Hill, Crowborough	2:0:0	0	1	0
Bond, Major W.C. OBE	Shalesbrook, Forest Row  (late Seymour)	3:2:26  2:1:16			
Boulton & Dickins, Misses	Forest Row (pt Bank Farm, late Martin)	1:0:0	0	0	6
Branwell, Charles Esq.	Bank Farm House, Chapel Lane, Forest Row (late Lewis)	1:2:0	0	1	0
Bridgwater, Miss	Hook Cottage, Forest Row	1:0:0	0	0	6
Brown, Mr. Alfred	Bank Farm Cottage, Forest Row	0:2:39	0	0	6
Brown, Mr. Alfred J.	Maresfield	22:3:39	0	11	6
Brown, Mr. Edward	Maresfield	0:0:39	0	0	6
Brown, Mr. F.G.A.	Maresfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Browning Mr. William	Chelwood Common Dane Hill Uckfield	9:2:0	0	5	0
Bull, The Reverend R.A.	Yewhurst, Forest Row	36:1:20	0	18	6
Burgess, Mr. Edward	Cherry Tree Cottage, Dane Hill, Uckfield	6:3:4	0	3	6
Burns, Mrs. Clementine	Andrews Bank, Colemans Hatch	3	0	1	6
Burns, L.B. Esq.	Sandhurst Cottage, Hartfield	5:0:14	0	3	0
Campbell, Mr. & Mrs. John	Courtlands, Nutley (late Kenward)	39:2:1	1	0	0
Carbutt, Mrs	Parrock Wood Cottage, Colemans Hatch (late Raven)	0:3:5	0	0	6
Card, Mr. Abraham	Tompsetts Bank, Forest Row	1	0	0	6
Card, Mr. James	Shalesbrook Farm Forest Row	8	0 0	4	0 0
Carey, Wilfred Hardacre Esq.	Broomer Cottage, Forest Row	1	0	0	6
Carr, Mr. Henry	Fords Green, Nutley	0:2:0	0	0	6
Carr, Mr. William	Coffee Hall, Nutley	0:0:28	0	0	6
Carter, Mr. A.E.	Old Forge Lane, Horney Common, Uckfield	1	0	0	6
Carver, Percy. W. Esq.	Courtlands, Sharpthorne, East Grinstead (late Cohen)	136:1:20	3	8	6

Castle Stewart, The Rt. Hon	Old Lodge, Nutley (late R. Kenward)	23:0:7 4:1:0	0	14	0
Castle Stewart, Countess	Old Lodge, Nutley	11:1:30	0	6	0
Champneys, Sir F.H. Bart	Littlemead, Nutley	7:3:0	0	4	0
Chaplin, Mr. James	Upper Morgans Farm, Piltdown, nr. Uckfield	19:0:10	0	10	0
Chapman, Fitzroy Keith Esq.	c/o A Martin French Esq., Bond St House, 14 Clifford St., W1	8:1:28	0	4	6
Chatfield, Mr. Albert Hy.	Holly Farm, Piltdown (late W.H. Abbey)	1:3:0	0	1	0
Chilton, Mr. Alfred	144 High Street, Uckfield (late M.P. Estate)	3:1:30	0	2	0
Cholmeley, H.P. Esq. M.D.	Forest Edge, Forest Row	1:2:0	0	1	0
Clarke Stephenson, Ralph;  Clarke, Chas Bridges Orme,	C/o Daniel Watney & sons  4a Frederick's Place, Old Jewry, EC2	190:1:13  408:1:7	4  10	15  4	6  0
Clarke, John P. Stephenson	Broadhurst Manor, Horsted Keynes (late C.B.C. Clarke)	187	4	13	0
Clough, A.H. Esq.	C/o J.T. Marriott Esq., Estate Office, Brockenhurst, Hants  (late Cottingham & Parris)  (late Russell & Harding)	392:1:24  13:0:30  5:0:10	9	16	6
Coffin, Clifford Esq.	Lama House, Forest Row (late Ma****)	2:0:36	0	1	6
Colchester The Rt. Hon. Lady	c/o E.P. Whitley-Hughes Esq., East Grinstead	218:0:24	5	9	6
Collier, Sir George	Water Farm, Colemans Hatch (admitted 27/2/27)	4:2:26	0	2	6
Collingwood, Horatio Nelson Esq.	Ryst Wood House, Forest Row (late May & others)	4:1:32	0	2	6
Colville, Admiral The Hon Sir Stanley	Pixton, Forest Row	38:2:34	0	19	6
Combe, Lt. Col. Herbert	Parrock Wood, Colemans Hatch	12	0	6	0
Constable, Mrs.	Fords Bank, Horney Common, Uckfield	2:2:28	0	1	6



Lucy S.					
Cook, J.R. Esq.	Sharpthorne House, West Hoathly	5:1:4	0	3	0
Corbett, Chas. Henry Esq.	Woodgate, Dane Hill Park Uckfield	248:1:24	6	4	6
Cottington, Mr. George	Reedings Farm, Maresfield  (late Cottingham & Parris)	56:1:5  9:2:2	2	8	0
Cottington, Mr. W. Hy.	Streatfield Farm	37:3:17	0	19	0
Cottington, Mr. W. H & Parris, Chas J. Esq.	c/o C.J. Parris Esq., 67 High Street, Tunbridge Wells	21:3:6	0	11	0
Cottington, Mr. L.E.	Nutley, Uckfield	0:2:0	0	1	0
Cottington, Mr. W	Craven Bridge Farm, South Common, Chailey	3:1:10	0	2	0
Coupland, Richard	Brookside, Hythe, Kent (late May & **)	1:0:20	0	1	0
Cowan, Sir W.H. Bart.	Crows Nest, Fairwarp  Barnsden etc. revised area)	6:2:20  88:0:26	2	7	6
Crease, Edmund M. Esq.	Broomhill, Crowborough (late Follett)	5	0	2	6
Crowhurst, Mrs. Wm. Senr.	Graddocks, Hartfield (late Walters)	0:1:13	0	0	6
Cruttenden, Mr. C.H.	122 High Street, Uckfield	2:1:28	0	1	6
Curd, Mr. E.A.	Millbrook, Nutley	10	0	5	0
Curtis, Mrs. E.M.	Alton House, Redhill, Surrey	16	0	8	0
Dadswell, Mr. R.	C/o Miss Fullegar & H. Watson, Ballards Hill, Goudhurst, Kent	1	0	0	6
Darwin, Major Leonard R.E.	12 Egerton Place, London SW 3	33:2:0	0	17	0
Davies, Commander Richard V.C. R.N. D.S.O.	Wallhatch, Forest Row	2:2:0	0	1	0
Davis, Mr. J.S.	Redcot, Fairwarp, Uckfield	7:2:16	0	4	0
Day, Mrs.	The Owls Nest, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6

De Lutteshaw, Miss Celina and Meyer, Miss Katherine	Solvane, Birch Grove, East Grinstead	6:3:1	0	3	6
Denman, Mrs. E.H.	Upper Totease, Buxted (main Lodge, Maresfield Park late)	3	0	0	6
Dennett. Mr. John	Piltdown Nursery, Uckfield	9:3:8	0	5	0
Denny, Colonel	Danehill, Uckfield (late Robinson)	0:1:0	0	0	6
Dodd, Mrs.	C/o Mr George T. Martin, Forest Row	1:0:0	0	0	6
Douglas, Miss Charlotte Amy	5a Hartfield Road, Eastbourne	0:2:1	0	0	6
Dowson, Hugh Emerson, Esq.	Landhurst Wood, Hartfield,	8:0:24	0	4	6
Duckworth, Geo. H. Esq.	Dalingridge Place, East Grinstead	61:3:23	1	11	0
Du Croz, Charles Grant Esq. decd. The Repres of	Court Lands West Hoathly E. Grinstead	55:2:0	1	8	0
Eason, E. Hy Physick Esq.	192 Bishopsgate, London EC2	1:1:8	0	1	0
East Grinstead Gas & Water Co.	East Grinstead	1:3:0	0	1	0
East Sussex County Council	The County Accountant, County Hall, Lewes (late W.H. Abbey))	83:1:13	2	2	0
Eckstein Frederick Esq.	C/o C. Bush Esq., 1 London Wall Buildings, EC2	285	7	2	6
Eden, A.F. Esq.	The Crossways, Hartfield	5:3:32	0	3	0
Edwards, Mrs. H.A.	Shawhurst Farm, Hartfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Edwards, Mrs Marion	Dewy Cottage, Cormongers Farm, South Nutfield, Redhill (late Cottingham & Parris)	7:2:2	0	4	0
Edwards, Mrs. Richard	Rutledges, Hartfield (late Wallace)	1:2:32	0	1	0
Elliott, Mr. George	Harts Farm, Colemans Hatch	3	0	1	6
Erith, Arthur Esq.	Ashdown House, Forest Row	32	0	16	0
Faber, Alfred Esq.	Offerton, Forest Row, East Grinstead	3:0:16	0	2	0
Farmer, Mr. H.W.	Nutley	0:2:0	0	0	6
Fellows Miss S.H. & Nixon, Miss E.	Summerford House, Fairwarp	4:0:0	0	2	0
Ffolliett Esq.	9 Montague Gardens, Tunbridge Wells	26:8:8	0	13	6

Fooks, Philip Edward B. Esq.	St Meddens, St Paul's Cray Road, Chislehurst  (late Maresfield Park Estate)	1:3:0  47:0:26	1	4	6
Freeland, Mr. P.H.	Nutley, Uckfield	2:3:0	0	1	6
Freshfield, Douglas, W. Esq.	Wych Cross Place, Forest Row	262:1:15	6	11	6
Friend, Messrs, J. & H.	Wall Hill Farm, Forest Row	43	1	1	6
Fuller Miss  Millicent	Vaughans Fletching Uckfield	10	0	5	0
Funnell, Mr. Trayton	Oakhouse Farm, Dane Hill, Sussex	18:1:13	0	9	6
Fyfe, Miss Alice	Homesdale, Grove Park, Lee S.E.	5	0	2	6
Gasson Mrs. Agnes	Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	3:2:0	0	2	0
Gasson, Mr. Thomas	Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	0:2:32	0	0	6
Gibb, Esq.	Putlands, Fairwarp	11:3:20	0	6	0
Gillham, Mr. E.J.	Nutley	0:2:0	0	0	6
Gleichen, Major General Lord Edward	Court-in-Holmes, Forest Row (late Larnach Revill)	20:0:0	0	10	0
Glover, Mrs. Maude	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	0:0:25	0	0	6
Godfrey, William Esq.	Mudbrooke Farm, Forest Row	103:3:10	2	12	6
Godley, The Rt. Hon. Hugh John	C/o The Rt. Hon. Lord Kilbracken, South Hartfield House, Colemans Hatch	65:2:26	1	13	0
Goldsmiths' Company		117:3:10	2	19	0
Gordon, Mrs. Dora H.	Domaha, Forest Row East Grinstead	5:1:36	0	3	0
Greasby, E. Esq.	211 Longley Road, Tooting Junction SW	0:0:20	0	0	6
Grover, Mr. Bernard	Nutley (late Turner)	5:2:13	0	3	0
Grover, Mr. Percy Alwyn	Grovers Farm, Piltdown, nr. Uckfield (late Abbey)	4:2:0	0	2	6

Hale Miss F.A.	c/o Messrs. Turner, Rudge & Turner. East Grinstead				
Halsey, W.H. Esq.	Hillside, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	1:0:29	0	1	0
Hambro, R.O. Esq.	Kidbrooke Park, Forest Row	150	3	15	0
Hambro, Capt.	Kidbrooke Park, Forest Row (late Larnach Revill)	92:0:28	2	6	6
Hardinge, The Rt. Hon. Sir A.H. GCMG, KCB	Cold Harbour, Forest Row, Sussex	5:3:19	0	3	0
Hardy, H.R.	Danehurst Estate Office, Horsted Keynes	256:3:35	6	8	0
Harman, Mr. G.	Butcher, East Grinstead	496:1:16	12	8	6
Harmsworth, Vyvyan G. Esq.	c/o W.H. Holden Esq., Valley Holme, Horsted Keynes, Sussex	60:0:18	1	10	6
Harvey, Mrs Katharine	Huranda" Hartfield (late Young)	9:3:20	0	5	0
Haslam, George D. Esq.	Danehurst, Uckfield (late Messel)	44:2:35	1	2	6
Hayllar, Frank H. Esq.	41 Marlborough Place, Brighton (late W.H. Abbey)	11:3:29	0	6	0
Head, F.H.	Goldstrow, Piltdown, Uckfield	10	0	5	0
Head, Mr. John decd. The Repres. of	C/o Mrs. Head, Mount Pleasant, Ashurst Wood, East Grinstead	49:3:2	1	5	0
Heasman Mrs. C., Heasman, Sarah and Heasman, Isabella	c/o Mrs. Isabella Heasman, Stone Cottage, Friars Gate, Withyham	2:2:0	0	1	6
Heasman, Mr. Christopher decd, the Exors of	Quabrook, Colemans Hatch	3:2:20	0	2	0
Heasman, Mr. Philip	The Homestead, Friars Gate, Sussex	2	0	1	0
Heasman Mr. William	Little Furnace Farm, Colemans Hatch	3	0	1	6
Heath, Miss Daisy	Forest Row (late Mrs. Hunt)	0:2:0	0	0	6
Heath, Mr. Joseph Benjamin	Hamilton Terrace, Forest Row	3	0	1	6
Hemsley, Mr. Thomas	102 Framfield Road, Uckfield	0:1:19	0	0	6

Hemsley, Mr. William	Isfield Mill, Isfield	0:1:0	0	0	6
Henriques, J. Q. Esq.	1 Paper Buildings, Temple, London EC4	6:2:13	0	3	6
Henry, Mrs.	The Laurels, Nutley	0:0:3	0	0	6
Hill, Mr. W.H..	Poplar Farm, Herons Ghyll nr. Uckfield	2	0	1	0
Hoare, Alfred	37 Fleet St. London E.C	101	2	10	6
Hoath, Mrs. Amos	Moor Farm, St John's, Crowborough	1	0	0	6
Hoath, Mrs. Lydia	Moorlands, Withyham	4	0	2	0
Hobbs, Mr. D.E.	Blackven Farm, Horney Common, Uckfield	14:1:5	0	7	6
Hobbs, Mr. James	Blackven Farm, Horney Common, Uckfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Hollamby, Mr. J.	Sillwood Place, Forest Row	0:0:11	0	0	6
Hollamby, Mr. W.	Forest Row	0:0:16	0	0	6
Hope, James F. Esq. M.P.	C/o Messrs. Powell & Co., Lewes	520:3:0	13	0	6
Horgan, Mr. Edmund A.	Sunnyside, Maresfield	6:3:39	0	3	6
Horscraft, Mr. Thomas	Nutley	0:1:0	0	0	6
Hounsom Wm. Allin Esq.	41 New Church Road, Brighton	28	0	14	0
Hudson, Mr. James	Smithy Cottage, Colemans Hatch	0:3:0	0	0	6
Ince, Revd. J.B.C.	The Vicarage, Fairwarp, Uckfield	1	0	0	6
Izzard, Mr. William	Sunnyside, New Road, Beeding, Sussex	1	0	0	6
Jackson, Mr. Arthur	Forest Row	0:0:20	0	0	6
Jenner & Brown, Messrs.	Oast House Cottages, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Johnson, W. Claud Esq	Broadstone, Colemans Hatch	13:2:26	0	7	06
Jordan, Mr. Albert	High Street, Maresfield (late Shipworth)	0:1:0	0	0	6
Kennard, Lt. Col. A.C.H.	Courtmead, Forest Row (pt Priory Estate late Worthington)	3:1:0	0	2	0
Kent, Sir Stephenson KCB	The Secretary, Chapelwood Manor, Nutley	322:1:31	8	1	6
Kenward, Mr.	Budletts, Maresfield	2	0	1	0

Edward					
Kenward, Mrs. J.	Piltdown, Uckfield	100:0:0	2	10	0
Kenward, Mr. Robert	Little Sharpe, Piltdown, Uckfield	74	1	17	0
Kerr Trefusis, Mrs	35 Portland Place, London W1. Corrected area	5:2:0	0	3	0
Killick Mr. S.	The Barn, Hartfield	0:1:0	0	0	6
Kindersley, Sir R.S.	15 Charles Street, Berkeley Square W1	92	2	6	0
King, Cyril A. Esq.	Twitten Hatch, Turner's Green, Uckfield (late Harvey)	8:0:36	0	4	6
Kingsford, John Esq.	Ryst Wood Lodge, Forest Row (late May & others)	4:2:30	0	2	6
Kirby, Mr. Ernest	Fords Green, Nutley	0:0:21	0	0	6
Kirby, Mr. & Mrs. Geo.	Horney Common, Maresfield	1:0:0	0	0	6
Kirby, Mr. Herbert	Fords Green, Nutley	0:1:0	0	0	6
Lack, Dr.	Brown House, Forest Row	1:1:29	0	1	0
Lambert, G.N. Esq.	53 Fairfield Rd., Saxmundham, Suffolk	4:2:0	0	2	6
Langridge, Mr. Enoch	Dane Hill, Uckfield	1:2:0	0	1	0
Lapage, Dr.	Forest Row	1	0	0	6
Larnach- Nevill, Mrs.	C/o Stanley Pott Esq., Brambletye Estate Office, East Grinstead	361:0:30	9	1	0
Last, W. Courthope Esq.	The Pond Cottage, Hartfield (late Robinson)	11:3:34	0	6	0
Lawrence, Sir Walter Bart.	Runces Farm, Birch Grove, East Grinstead)	2:1:26	0	1	6
Legsheath Farm Ltd.	The Secretary, 34 Nicholas Lane, Lombard Street EC1	70:2:22	1	15	6
Leeland-White M.J. Esq.	Stonehouse Farm, Forest Row (late Hyde)	33:2:0	0	17	0
Linshill, Mr. T.H.	Builder, Crowborough Road, Nutley	6:1:12	0	3	6
Loftus, Lt. Col. Douglas	Nutley Court, Nutley	18:2:5	0	9	6
Lomax, Miss Alice	Heather View, Fairwarp	1	0	0	6
Longley, Mr. C. decd repres of	Oakhurst, Golf Road, Forest Row	0:1:1	0	0	6

Longley, Mr. C. J.	Ruthcote, Crawley, Sussex (late Du Croz)	[blank]			
Longley & Waters, Messrs.	Forest Row	40:1:10	1	0	6
Lucas, Mrs. Alice	Bramblehurst, Ashurst Wood, East Grinstead	48:2:15	1	4	6
Lucas, F. R. Esq.	Streeters Rough, Chelwood Gate, Uckfield	29:1:13	0	15	0
Lumsden, Robert Jas. Esq.	Wretham Lodge, Forest Row (corrected area)	5:2:0	0	3	0
Mackwood, Mrs. Annie	Twyford, Nutley	1	0	0	6
Macmillan, Harold Esq.	Birch Grove House, nr. East Grinstead	57:1:11	1	9	0
Madden, Lady	Broadstone, Forest Row	3:8:20	0	2	0
Manners, Mrs. J. T.	Bankside, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5	0	2	6
Mansbridge, Mr. James	Spring View, Forest Row	0:0:20	0	0	6
Marchant, Mr. Thomas	Cackle Street, Maresfield	5	0	2	6
Maresfield, The Rector of  (The Rev. A.C. Ryder)	The Rectory, Maresfield  (by agreement)	3:3:3	0	2	0
Maresfield Village Hall	The Secretary, Maresfield (Village Hall)	0:0:3	0	0	6
Marriott, Mr & Miss Cordelia Isabella.	c/o Messrs. Hasties, 65 Lincolns Inn Field, W.C	65:0:17	1	13	0
Marsden, James.	Hurst Wood House, Hurst Wood, Buxted	3:2:0	0	2	0
Marsh, Mr. Wm. Chas	Lower Morgans Farm, Piltdown nr. Uckfield	16:0:3	0	8	6
Marshall, Rev. Douglas Hamilton	Ovingdean Hall, Ovingdean, Brighton (late May & others)	0:3:11	0	0	6
Martin, Alfred	Coach & Horses, Dane Hill, Uckfield	4:1:0	0	2	6
Martin, Edward	Woodcote, Forest Row	1:1:28	0	1	0
Martin, Mr. Frederick	Coach & Horses, Dane Hill, Uckfield	4	0	2	0
Maryon-Wilson, Geo. M. Esq.	Searles, Fletching, Uckfield	1314:3:26	30	7	6

Mashette, Esq.	Dennis Cross, Hook Heath, Woking	5	0	2	6
May, Paul Stanley Esq. & others.	C/o Messrs Finnis Downey Linnell & Chessher, 5 Clifford Street, London	5:2:39	0	3	0
Maynard, Edward F. Esq. M.P.	14 Salisbury Road, Hove (late M.P. Estate)	0:1:24	0	0	6
McLachlan, J.M. Esq.	Forest Lodge, Horney Common, Uckfield	16:1:5	0	8	6
Meua, H.E. Esq.	29 Lamb Street, EC	4:2:16	0	2	6
Miles, Mrs. C.A.	Kingsdown Farm, Burwash Common, Sussex	1	0	0	6
Miles, Mr. Henry	Pitlands Farm, Hartfield	4:1:13	0	2	6
Miles, Mrs. L.A.G.	Danehill, Uckfield	15:3:26	0	8	0
Miller, Mr. Joseph	The Barracks, Maresfield	1:0:17	0	1	0
Mitchell, Mr. Alfred	Brook Cottage, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Mitchell, Mr. Frank	Nutley	0:2:0	0	0	6
Mitchell, Mr. William & Eliza Brett	Roebuck Farm, Wych Cross, Forest Row	1:1:0	0	1	0
		0:1:10	0	0	6
Morrice, Norman	65 Gresham House, Old Broad Street, London EC2	1:1:24	0	1	0
Morris, Major	Fire Brigade HQ Southwark Bridge Road, London SE1 (late Arthur Taylor)	6:1:31	0	3	6
Morris, Miss J.V.	Bracklay Cottage, Fairwarp. Uckfield	18:1:26	0	9	6
	Ditto (late Maresfield Park Estate)				
Needham, Col. Charles	Tylehurst, Forest Row	58	1	9	0
Neild, Dr.	Shaw Cottage, Hartfield	[blank]			
Nettlefold, Frederick John	C/o Messrs Turner, Rudge & Turner, East Grinstead	5:2:24	0	3	0
Noble, Percy G. Esq.	36 Oakhill Road, East Putney SW15 (late Young)	18:2:0	0	9	6
Norman, Mr. Henry The Repres. of	Fairwarp	6	0	3	0
Oldham, Miss H.	Graystone, Crowborough	5:2:0	0	3	0
Osborne, Mr. Albert	Oaklands, Duddleswell, Maresfield	0:3:15	0	0	6
Osborne, Messrs.	Hill End Farm, Nutley	49:0:24	1	5	0



Osborne. Mr. George	Hill End Farm, Nutley	2:2:0	0	1	6
Osborne, Mrs. Mahala	Duddleswell, Fairwarp	4:0:11	0	2	6
Osborne, Mr. Thomas and Harriet his wife	Nutley, Uckfield	17 12:2:0	0	15	0
Osborne, Mr. William and Elizabeth his wife	Foresters Arms, Fairwarp, Uckfield,	14:2:0 15:2:18	0	15	6
Owen, Jas. L. Esq.	C/o Messrs. Turner, Rudge & Turner (late McAndrew)  (late Humphrey H. revised area)	307:0:9 5:2:11	7	16	6
Oxley, William	33 Queens Road, Tunbridge Wells	28:1:8	0	14	6
Pankhurst, Mr. Samuel	Mill House Farm, Maresfield (late M. Park Estate)	13:2:1	0	7	0
Parry, Miss E.C.	Dodds Grove, Nutley	9:2:10	0	5	0
Parsons, Miss Muriel	Mouse Hole, Forest Row, Sussex	1:2:19	0	1	0
Penfold, Mr Harry.	Lisburne, Nutley	2:1:8	0	1	6
Penfold, Mr. H.	Misbourne Farm, Nutley	16:2:25	0	8	6
Penfold, Mr. John B.	Newlands Cottage, Horney Common	0:3:0	0	0	6
Penfold, Mr. Joseph	17 Church Street, Maresfield	0:1:14	0	0	6
Penfold, Mrs. Julia Sarah	Horney Common, Maresfield	2:2:0	0	1	6
Philcox, Mr. George	Portobello, Colemans Hatch	2:2:0	0	1	6
Phillips, Mrs.	The Green, Forest Row	0:1:0	0	0	6
Phillips The Rev. J.S. MA	The Vicarage, Nutley	4	0	2	0
Phillis, Mrs.	Ashdown Cottage, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Piltdown Golf Club	The Hon. Secretary, Piltdown Common, Uckfield	9:0:8	0	5	0
Place, Thomas Esq.	[blank]	156:3:8 0:0:16	3 0	18 0	6 6
Playford, Miss	Harlie, Forest Row	0:0:16	0	0	6

Agnes					
Portman, the Hon. Henry Oakeley	C/o Messrs. Powell & Co., Lewes (1	212:0:18	5	6	6
Ralph, Mr. W.H.	30 Purley Oaks Road, Sanderstead, S. Croydon, Surrey (late Cottingham & Ferris)	3	0	1	6
Rawlings, G.H. Esq.	Little Denstone, Forest Row	28	0	14	0
Raymond, T.	"Yew Hedge", Forest Row (late Horne)	0:2:0	0	0	6
Reed, Mrs Emma	Bank Cottage, Forest Row	2:2:0	0	1	6
Reed, Mr. Henry	Old Forge, Horney Common, Uckfield (late Cottingham & Parris)	0:2:0	0	0	6
Richardson, Capt. J.	Pound Gate, Buxted	2:2:0	0	1	6
Ridley, Mr. A.J.	Horney Common, Maresfield	1	0	0	6
Ridley, Mr. Alvey J.	Nether Farm, Nutley (late R. Kenward)	1:2:21	0	1	6
Ridley, Mr. F.T.	Nutley	0:0:15	0	0	6
Ridley, Mr. Harry	Near Church, Cowden, Edenbridge	0:1:8	0	0	6
Ridley, Mr. Henry	Nutley	0:1:32	0	0	6
Ridley, Miss F.R.	Pt. Forest Lodge	2:3:0	0	1	6
Ridley, Mr. H.J.	Whitehouse Farm, Horney Common	6:2:3	0	3	6
Ridley, Miss	Whitehouse Farm, Horney Common				
Ridley, Mrs. Lucy Rose	Whitehouse Farm, Horney Common	19:2:26	0	10	0
Ridley, Mr. Spencer	Millbrook, Nutley	12:2:0	0	6	6
Ridley, Mr. Sylvanus	Nutley, Uckfield	26	0	13	0
Riley, Mrs.	Nutley	3:1:28	0	2	0
Roberts, Mr. W.J. decd The Trustees of	c/o Messrs. Wright, Johnston & Mackay, 150 St Vincent St., Glasgow	11:0:0	0	5	6
Rogers, Miss Edith C.	Romany Cottage, Fairwarp (claim admitted 14/12/27)	0:2:24	0	0	6
Rowe, John Esq.	R.A.F. Golf Club, Forest Row	0:1:13	0	0	6
Rumbold, Miss Katharine	Yew Tree Hall. Forest Row	4:2:0	0	2	6
Russell C.W. Esq.	Fairholme, Maresfield (late Beddoes)		0	1	6

and Harding Mrs.					
Salcombe, Mr. William	Bridge Hotel, Uckfield (late M. Park Estate)	135:0:7	3	8	0
Sargeant, Mrs.	Newport. De La Warr Road, East Grinstead	1	0	0	6
Saunders, Mr. Harry	Hawthorn, Forest Row,	0:1:3	0	1	0
Saunders, Mrs. Harry		0:1:0			
Saville, Miss & Sturdy, Miss	Shepherds Gate, Colemans Hatch	5:1:0	0	3	0
Sayers, Mr. Thos.	Post Office, Forest Row,	0:1:0	0	0	6
Sclater, Rev. J.S.	The Manor House, Newick, Lewes	69:0:14	1	15	0
Scott, Mrs. Hannah	Duddleswell, Uckfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Shakerley Ackers, G.H. Esq.	Moreton Hall, Duddleswell, Uckfield	12:0:0	0	6	0
Shelford, W.H. Esq.	Horncastle, E. Grinstead	22:2:26	0	11	6
Shepherd, S.D. Esq.	Claypit Farm, Colemans Hatch	[blank]			
Shoebridge, Mr. Thomas	Nutley				
Shute, E.P. Esq.	c/o Mr. George Martin, Forest Row	1	0	0	6
Sinclair, Mr. George	Hazel Cottage, Dormans Land, Lingfield, Surrey	0:1:0	0	0	6
Sinclair, Capt.	Victoria Villas, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	0:0:21	0	0	6
Sinden, Mr. Reginald	Cherry Orchard, Browns Brook, Fairwarp (late Russell & Harding)	9:2:0	0	5	0
Skinner, Sir Sydney	West Watch, Birch Grove, East Grinstead	8	0	4	0
Smallwood, J.E. Esq..	20 Blatchington Road, Hove	1:0:0	0	0	6
Smith, A. Russell Esq.	Holly Grange, Forest Row (late Harrison)	4:0:16	0	2	6
Smith, H.C. Esq.	16 Mincing Lane, London EC3 (late May & others)	36:3:35	0	18	6
Snelgrove, John Sidney Esq.	The Plottage, Forest Row	18:2:0	0	9	6
Soames, Arthur Gilstrap Esq.	c/o John Edward Eggleton Esq., Estate Office, Sheffield Park, Uckfield	950:0:10	23	15	6

Sprott, Frank Walter Esq.	Mayfield, Sussex	7:0:34	0	4	0
Sprott, Herbert Esq.	Solicitor, Crowborough (ditto)	13:3:0	0	7	0
Sprott Herbert Esq. & Hart, George E. Esq.	c/o Herbert Sprott, Esq., Solicitor, Crowborough	21:0:14	0	11	0
Stephens, Mr. Nelson G.	Marlpits, Nutley	3	0	1	6
Sterling, Miss F.M.	Home Wood, Hartfield	5:2:0	0	3	0
Stevenson, Mr. Frank	Little Shelf, Nutley	1:0:0	0	0	6
Stevenson, Mrs. Mary Ann	Collingford, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5:2:0	0	3	0
Stevenson, Mr. Richard	The Shaw, Nutley (late Sprott, H.)	4:2:21 1	0	3	0
Stevenson, Mr. Stephen	Little Shelf, Nutley	11:1:13	0	6	0
Stoner, Mr. T.J.	27 Firle Road, Eastbourne	4:2:1	0	2	6
Streatfeild, R.J. Esq.	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co.  Lewes	107:1:5	2	14	0
Streeter, Mr. William	Lower Whitehouse Farm, Horney Common, Uckfield (late Rush)	12 1:2:0	0	7	0
Stuart, Mr.	Courtland Cottage, Horney Common, Uckfield (late Rush)	0:2:8	0	0	6
Sullivan, Mrs. Hilda	The Retreat, Buxted	4:1:0	0	2	6
Swann, Edw. Arthur Esq.	The Grove, Woodhurst Road, Oxted,	2:0:24	0	1	6
Sydenham, Dr. Geo. Mervyn	Chelwood Common, Uckfield	1	0	0	6
Tamplin & Sons Brewery Brighton Ltd	Phoenix Brewery, Brighton	8:2:0	0	4	6
Taylor Mr. George	Old Workhouse, Fairwarp, Uckfield	10	0	5	0
Taylor, Mr. James	3 Fairview Cottages, 58 St John's Road Crowborough	0:1:16	0	0	6
Taylor, Mrs. John	Henley House, Uckfield	0:1:0	0	0	6

Taylor, Mr. Thomas	Hartfield Road, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Taylor, Mrs.	St James Road, East Grinstead	0:1:0	0	0	6
Tester, Mr. Frederick	Maresfield	0:1:25	0	0	6
Thomas, G.H. Esq.	Oakcroft, Hartfield, Tunbridge Wells	2:0:38	0	1	6
Thornton, The Hon. M.A.	103 Ebury Street, SW1	5:2:	0	3	0
Tomlins, E. Frazer Esq.	83 Furnival Street, London EC4	7:0:24	0	4	0
Tomsett, Mr.	Tompsetts Bank, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Tosetti, M.A. Esq.	Cookhams, Horsted Keynes	34:0:0	0	17	0
Turner Albert Esq. Decd The repres of	c/o Albert Turner Esq., Holme, Lewes	[blank]	0	0	0
Turner Messrs. C& J	Whitehouse Farm, Colemans Hatch	18	0	9	0
Turner Mr Edward	Walnut Tree Inn, Brenchley	1	0	0	6
Turner, Mr. George	Stone Hill Farm, Nutley (late M. Pk Estate)	2:0:38	0	1	6
Turner. Mr. Nelson	Nutley	3:1:24 3	0	2	0
Turner Mrs. William	Nutley	1	0	0	6
Tyler, Mr. Allen	Horney Common, Uckfield	4:2:0	0	2	6
Tyler Mr. Albert Henry	Horney Common, Uckfield	5:3:0	0	3	0
Tyler Mr. Luther	Fairwarp	5:1:16	0	3	0
Underwood, Mrs. Frederick	Post Horn Lane, Forest Row (late Wm. Miles)	1	0	0	6
Upton, Mr. Edward	Maresfield (late Maresfield Pk. Estate)	0:1:0	0	0	6
Verner, Mrs.	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	12	0	6	0
Vokins, W.H. Esq.	Beechwood, Withdean, Brighton	7:0:26	0	4	0
Walker, Miss Hester M.	C/o Messrs. Shain, Roscoe, Massey & Co., 8 Bedford Row, London, WC1	1:2:0	0	1	0
Wallace, Mrs.	Graddocks Farm, Hartfield	0:3:0	0	0	6
Waller, Major Robert L.	The Dairy House, Maresfield	8:3:13	0	4	6

Wallis Mrs Reginald.	The Forge, Rotherfield	2	0	1	0
Walls, Mrs Annie	Cackle Street, Nutley	4	0	2	0
Walsham, Mrs.	Warrenside, Forest Row	2	0	1	0
Walter, Mr. Alfred	Fairwarp	1	0	0	6
Walter, Mrs. Ellen	Fairwarp	2	0	1	0
Walter Mr. John	Dodds Bank, Nutley (late A. Turner)	3	0	1	6
Waters Messrs Geoffrey	Burnt House Farm, Forest Row	46:2:0	1	3	6
Waters, Messrs. H. & E.	Highgate, Forest Row	62:0:19	1	11	6
Waters, Mr. Henry J.	Highgate, Forest Row	1:3:0	0	1	0
Waters Mr. James	Forest Row	0:2:8	0	0	6
Watkins, Miss E.M.	“Walcot”, Walpole Road, Brighton (late Tribe)	1:0:0	0	0	6
Weeding, Mr. Daniel	Wrathlye, Hartfield	0:1:0	0	0	6
Weeks, Mr. Fredk Robt	Forest Hotel, Forest Row	0:3:20	0	0	6
Welfare Mr. William	Ocklye Farm, Withyham	3	0	1	6
Wheatley Mr. Charles	Whitehouse Bank, Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	3	0	1	6
Wheatley, Mr. Frederick	Colemans Hatch	0:2:0	0	0	6
Wheatley Mr. Henry	Nutley	0:1:0	0	0	6
Wheatley Mr. Joseph	Colemans Hatch	4	0	2	0
Wheatley Mr. William	Nutley	0:2:13	0	0	6
Wheeler Mr. Charles	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5	0	2	6
White, Mr	Norlington Villa, London Road, Burgess Hill	0:0:11	0	0	6
White, Mr. Samuel	Whitehill Cottage, Forest Row	0:1:0	0	0	6
Whitewood, Mr. Percy	Post Office, Nutley (late Mrs Whitewood)	2	0	1	6

Wickens Mr. Simeon	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	45:1:0	1	3	0
Wickens Mr. Spencer Snr.  Exors.;	C/o Messrs. Hunt, Currey, Nicholson & Co., Lewes	15	0	7	6
Wickham, Mr. Arthur	Forest Bank, Nutley	4:1:25	0	2	6
Wickham, Mr. Charles A.	Maresfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Wickham, Mr. Humphrey	Pock Hill, Forest Row	7	0	3	6
Willett, Arnold T. Esq.	2 Little Dean's Yard, Westminster SW1	12:2:0	0	6	6
Willett, Dr. E.W.	Spyways, Hartfield	5	0	2	6
Williamson, Geo. F. Esq.	Ashdowne, Hartfield	5:0:15	0	3	0
Willock, Mrs.	Lampool Farm, Maresfield.	10:1:14	0	5	6
Wilmott, Mr.	Victoria Villas, Chapel Lane, Forest Row (late Knight)	0:0:21	0	0	6
Wilson Mr. Edward	Mount Pleasant, Oldlands, Maresfield. Uckfield	1	0	0	6
Wood, Mr. Ephraim	Duddleswell, Uckfield	10:0:16	0	5	6
Wood, Mrs. E.M.	The Hollies, 9 Bennett Park, Blackheath, SE	30:3:0	0	15	6
Wood, Mr. Frederick	Fair Place Farm, Nutley (late Wilson)	26:2:5	0	13	6
Wood, Mr. H.	Nutley	0:1:19	0	0	6
Wood, Mr. Jesse decd. The Repres of	C/o Messrs. Turner & Jones., Solicitors, East Grinstead	11:2:0	0	6	0
Young, Miss Florence	Bix Cottage, Maresfield	0:1:25	0	0	6

### **Mr W. Tasker, metalling of track**

A letter is read from Mr W. Tasker, assenting to the terms fixed at the last meeting for a licence to metal the track then referred to.

### **Tonbridge Officer Training Corps Field Operations**

A letter is read from the Officer commanding the Tonbridge School Officers Training Corps applying for permission to hold field operations on the 16th March next for two or three hours in the middle of the day on both sides of the Duddleswell Road, as indicated on a plan, with the assurance that no fires will be lit. It is resolved that permission be granted on condition that no fire is lit and that special precautions be taken that no cigarettes are thrown down on the forest land, or anything else done that might start a fire in the undergrowth. A letter is also read from the Aldershot Command, stating that under terms of the Military Manoeuvres Act, troops of that Command will carry out manoeuvres in the whole of West Sussex and part of East Sussex during August and September next and arrangements will be made for a standing Camp, and states it is understood that some Forest land at Crowborough is available and enquiring whether this is so, and what would be the cost of hiring it, and that it is usually taken by the War Department from 15th July to 15th October, and that a representative from headquarters could meet a representative of the Board and discuss matters. It is resolved that it be referred to the Chairmen of the two District Committees to meet a representative from headquarters on the Crowborough Common to go into details and make such arrangements as they may deem satisfactory for the protection of the Forest.

### **Mr F. Bradford Jarvis**

An application is read from Mr F. Bradford Jarvis for a licence to lay a 1 inch pipe under the Forest land in order to convey water to a house he has erected on plot no 147a on the Ordnance Map from a spring situate about 50 yards to the north of it.

It is resolved that the application be referred to the Maresfield Committee to investigate and report.

### **Scale of acknowledgement for licences**

It is resolved that the Clerk prepare and submit to the next meeting a table giving particulars of the various licences granted and the rate of acknowledgement charged in each case with a view to fixing a definite scale as a guide in dealing with future applications.

### **Fires**

It is resolved that the Fire Committee be requested to decide what (if any) action shall be taken with regard to extinguishing fires occurring on the forest during the approaching season and the detection of incendiaries,

### **Weed killing**

Mr. Freshfield states that he has been in communication with the Commons Preservation Society and their standing Counsel, with reference to the Corn Production Acts, and that they have expressed the opinion that neither this Board nor the Commoners are occupiers within the meaning of the Acts.

### **Cheques**

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books which show the following balances in hand.

General Account	£61:1:11
2nd Ranger Account	£29:7:4
Protection & Improvement Fund	£137:17:3

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:-

Kirby Herbert	
10 weeks salary as Ranger at £2	
to the 5th prox.	£20.0.0
House rent at 5/-	£2.10.0
Employers insurance	£0.14.2
	£23.4.2



Hatchett J.W.

10 weeks salary as Ranger at £2

to the 5th prox.

Employers insurance

£20.0.0

£0.14.2

£20.14.2

Creasey & Co 13 weeks rent of 2nd

Ranger's Cottage to 26th prox.

£6.16.6.

It is resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 30th March next at 2.30 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The meeting terminated at 5.15 p.m.

S.C. Colville

Chairman 23rd May 1928

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### **A meeting of the Fire Committee duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn on Wednesday the 14th March 1928 at 3 p.m.**

Present

Mr Geo M. Maryon-Wilson in the chair

Admiral Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B.

Mr D.W. Freshfield

Herbert R. Hardy

G.D. Haslam

Robert Kenward

The Chairman states that the first point to consider is whether men shall be employed this season as on previous occasions to assist the Rangers in detecting and extinguishing fires and after careful consideration and hearing the Ranger's reports on the subject it is resolved that it is not expedient to employ additional men this season watches to assist the Rangers.

#### **Mr. Haslam's offer of motor cycle**

It is resolved that the offer of Mr. Haslam to present to the Board a motor cycle for the use of one Ranger be accepted with grateful thanks .

#### **Mr Dunning's offer of Ford car or motor cycle**

Also the offer of Mr Dunning to present either his old Ford Car or a new Motor Cycle for the use of the 2nd Ranger is then considered and it is resolved that his offer to present to the Board a motor cycle be accepted with grateful thanks, and that it be suggested to him that a cycle of the "Ariel" make is best suited to Forest work and that it is advantageous to purchase from a local Agent as it is found by experience that the vendor feels a certain responsibility for it, takes a greater interest in its future and carries out repairs at a cheaper rate than for a cycle purchased elsewhere. Also that it be explained that as the fire season is just commencing it is desirable that the cycle should be available as soon as possible.

#### **Running charges for motor cycles**

It is also resolved that the running charges and maintenance of the cycles and insurances be a charge on the Protection and Improvement Fund.

Further that if Mr Dunning should authorise the Board to purchase the cycle for him the Clerk at once inform the Chairman

### **Cut certain gorse clumps**

Mr. Freshfield reports that there are some large clumps of gorse on the Forest adjoining the high road which it is desirable should be cut down. It is resolved that he be empowered to employ the necessary labour for the purpose to be defrayed out of the Protection and Improvement Fund not exceeding ten pounds.

### **Suggestions to charge fee to picnic parties**

The Committee then consider the suggestions of Lord Edward Gleichen and Mr. George Duckworth that the Rangers should be empowered to levy payments from visitors drawing in motor cars on Forest Land for picnicking or otherwise.

It is resolved that they be informed that as at present advised it is not within the powers of the Board to adopt the suggestion.

It is further resolved that the Clerk do consider the question further and try to obtain the view of the Commons Preservation Society on the point.

Further that a notice be put on the agenda for the next meeting of the Board to consider the advisability of making a subscription to that Society.

### **Boy Scouts assistance**

It is resolved that the Committee accept gratefully the offer of Mr. Hardy as District Commissioner of Boy Scouts to place the services of the Boy Scouts at the disposal of the Board to detect and give notice of fires to the Rangers and assist in extinguishing them and that the Clerk to write a letter to Mr. Hardy to that effect and indicate the modes of communicating with the Rangers and also with Mr. Freshfield in case of fires occurring near his boundaries.

### **Helpers at fires, compensation for damage to clothing**

It is further resolved that the Rangers be authorised to inform persons assisting in extinguishing fires that the Board will be prepared to compensate them for damage to their clothing in the course of the work.

S.C. Colville  
Chairman

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### **A meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley on Wednesday the 23rd day of May 1928 at 2.30 p.m.**

Present

Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B.

Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart.

Mr. James Card

Mr. Herbert R. Hardy

Mr. Robert Kenward

Mr. William Mitchell

Mr. Thomas Osborne

In the absence of the Chairman, on the motion of Sir Francis H. Champneys Admiral Sir Stanley Colville is chosen Chairman of the Meeting.

The Clerk explains that the date fixed for this Meeting, the 30th inst., was altered by direction of the Chairman, Mr. Maryon-Wilson. The Clerk reports that Mr. Freshfield is abroad. The Minutes of the last Meeting are read and confirmed

### **Ranger Hatchett accident**

The Clerk reports that on the 26th ulto, Ranger Hatchett severely sprained his ankle when extinguishing a fire and was laid up for some days, resuming work on the 4th inst. and he has collected the compensation payable under his Insurance.

### **Fire Committee**

The Fire Committee present a report which is read (see page 241 ante) and it is resolved that the acts, proceedings and recommendations of the Fire Committee be approved and confirmed

### **Motor cycles received**

The Clerk reports that Mr. Haslam has presented an new Raleigh motor cycle for the use of Ranger and that Major Dunning has presented an Ariel motor cycle for the use of the 2nd Ranger, that the cycles are now in use, and have proved of very great assistance and that all requisite insurances have been effected.

It is resolved that the grateful thanks of the Board be conveyed to the donors.

### **Charging picnickers**

The Clerk reads a statement which pursuant to the instructions of the Fire Committee be submitted to the Commons Preservation Society with a view to obtaining their advice as to the power of their standing Counsel on the subject, also letters from Lord Edward Gleichen and Mr George Duckworth on this and other subjects and it is resolved that the consideration of these matters and the question of giving a subscription to the Commons Preservation Society be adjourned to the next Meeting.

### **2nd Ranger Fund**

The Clerk reports that copies of the Chairman's appeal of the 21st November last on behalf of the 2nd Ranger Fund were again forwarded to about 100 residents who had not responded, with the result that he had received further subscriptions amounting to about £46.

### **Maresfield Committee, Dr. Ormond**

The Maresfield Committee report that often the last Meeting they viewed the east track referred to by Dr. Ormond and instructed the Clerk to inform him that there is no objection to his having the ruts filled in with adjacent materials, but that it must not be metalled.

### **R.J. Reid road repair**

The Committee also viewed the Forest road leading to Mr. R.J. Reid's house, Spring Gardens at Fairwarp, that Ranger Kirby filled in the dangerous part, and that the matter of further work to the road is under consideration.

### **F.B. Jarvis application for licence**

The Committee also viewed the spring referred to in Mr. F. Bradford Jarvis' application, and resolved that they cannot advise the Board to permit Mr. Jarvis to connect it by a pipe with his house.

It is resolved that the acts, proceedings and recommendations of the Committee be and are hereby approved and confirmed.

### **Rate**

The Clerk reports that the rate made at the last meeting has been sanctioned by the Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries and that the demand notes are about to be sent out.

### **Military manoeuvres**

Mr. Kenward reports that Mr. Freshfield and he met a representative of the War Office on Wednesday the 2nd March last at St. John's, Crowborough, when he made a preliminary application to hold a camp on St. John's Common but was then unable to furnish any detail as to time, number of troops, etc. but promised to forward them later. No further communication has yet been received.

### **Forest Row Committee report**

The Forest Row Committee present the following report which is read namely,

23rd April 1928

The Forest Row Committee met at Tylehurst, Forest Row. Present The Chairman, Colonel Needham and Mr James Card. Apologies for absence were received from Admiral Sir Stanley Colville & Mr. Herbert R. Hardy.

### **Gorse cutting**

The Ranger reported the payments he had made for gorse cutting as authorised by the Board amounting to £6:4:7 and a small further sum remains to be paid. He had arranged to get overgrown heather useless for Commoners cut free of cost.

#### **Weston & Heasman cutting heather**

Mr. Freshfield reported that the heather cut by this Mrs. Weston near Chuck Hatch and Mr. Heasman Quabrook Farm having been burnt before it was carried, by Forest fires, he had granted them leave to cut a like amount though the season for cutting had expired.

#### **Waters estovers**

The Ranger reported that Mr. Waters of Burnt House Farm had undertaken to clear up the litter where he had been cutting estovers of birch purchased from the Lord.

#### **Motor cycle received**

The Ranger reported that the motor cycle presented to the Board by Major Denning had been delivered to him in good order. The Committee suggested that the Clerk should be asked to communicate the Board's thanks to Major Denning for his generous gift.

#### **Messrs. Turner – timber drawing & deposit**

The Chairman reported he had been in communication with Messrs. Turner with respect to their action in moving timber out of Horncastle Wood by the old track leading up past Hospital Farm to Cold Harbour crossways owing to chains having been used the track below Cripps Cross gate had been badly cut up. Further, some of the timber had been deposited on the Forest at the point where the metalled track granted to Major Darwin leading from his gate to Cold Harbour crossways begins.

He had seen Messrs. Turner's manager and pointed out to him the breaches of the bye laws involved and referred him to the Clerk, who was dealing with the matter. The timber was in course of being removed.

#### **Mr Russell Smith - alteration to road**

The Committee viewed the approach to Mr. Russell Smith's drive at Holly Croft and were of opinion the licence he asked for to make a slight alteration in the road should be granted.

Signed Douglas W. Freshfield 1st May 1928

#### **Fires**

The Chairman has further to report that during the last week there have been many serious fires:

on the Chelwood Gate road

Between Kidbrooke & Hindleap Warren

On the Golf Links below High Hollies

In Broadstone Warren (my property)

Unfortunately, Hatchett the Ranger sprained his ankle badly at the first fire and has been laid up since.

In the emergency I have employed night watchers and sent out my employee to put out or limit the conflagration. I am not aware that any of my neighbours has assisted. It is a matter of inconvenience and expense and I cannot undertake to do it except when my own property is in danger.

It is resolved that the proposed licence to Mr. Russell Smith be granted on the usual terms and that the sum of £6:4:7 be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund for gorse cutting (p. 246).

#### **R.A.F. Golf Club additional parking ground.**

The Clerk submits an application from the R.A.F. Golf Club for an extension of the parking ground for cars. It is resolved that the application be referred to the Forest Row Committee with power to act.

#### **Messrs. A. Turner & Son Ltd. deposit of timber**

The Clerk reports that pursuant to the instructions of the Committee he granted Messrs. A. Turner & Son Ltd a licence to deposit trees from Horncastle Wood for one month on payment of the acknowledgment of 10/-.

### **Gusterson application to camp**

An application is read from Mr. Gusterson of the National & Provincial Bank at East Grinstead for permission to camp on the Forest during weekends. It is resolved that the Board cannot grant such permission.

### **County Surveyor improve Wych Cross road**

A letter is read from the County Surveyor stating that certain repairs to the Wych Cross-Nutley road are required including the filling of subsidences, the materials for which it is desired to obtain from the inside banks of the awkward bends, and a plan showing the bends in the road where this work is especially necessary are considered and it is resolved that the consent of the Board be granted to the carrying out of the works subject to the supervision and approval of the Forest Ranger.

### **East Grinstead R.D.C. surveyor**

Applications are read from the Surveyor of the East Grinstead R.D.C. (1) for permission to deposit house refuse in a sandpit on St. John Common and (2) for permission to metal a dangerous corner at the angle between the District road at Friars Gate and the County main road from Groombridge to Maresfield. It is resolved that both the matters be referred to the Maresfield Committee with power to act.

### **P.O. application to lay telephone lines**

A letter is read from the Post Office accompanied by a plan asking permission to lay certain underground telephone cables (1) under the road from Hill End Farm to Marlpits (2) under the road bounding Nutley Green on the west side from the main road to Pricketts Hatch (3) under the road across the Forest land from Dodds Hill to the Duddleswell Road at Fairwarp (4) under the Duddleswell road from below Duddleswell to a point below Fairholme. The proposals having been examined, it is resolved that consent be granted on payment of the annual acknowledgment of 1/- in respect of each of the four schemes.

Ranger Kirby reports that the County Council have repaired the fencing near the tunnel at Millbrook referred to at the last meeting.

### **Rangers' Reports. Fires**

The Rangers' weekly reports are then examined, showing a large number of extensive fires on the Forest in the Forest Row Committee's area in two cases the remains of tins and candles being found, and only a few small fires in the Maresfield Committee's area.

It is desired that a letter be written to the Chief Constable and to P.C. Taylor, expressing the appreciation of the Board of the constant and valuable services of P.C. Taylor in detecting and giving notice of fires.

### **P.C. Taylor**

Also that P.C. Taylor be compensated for damage to his boots incurred in helping to extinguish a fire to be paid out of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

### **Beadle, damage to coat**

Also that 8/6 be paid to I. Beadle out of the Protection & Improvement Fund for repair of damage done to his overcoat in assisting Ranger Hatchett to extinguish fires.

### **Gorse cutting**

Also that the sum of £3:15:10 be paid to R. Divall and £2:8:9 to F. Diplock out of the Protection & Improvement Fund for cutting clumps of gorse under the direction of the Forest Row Committee.

### **Cheques**

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books which show the following balances in hand:

General Account	£41.10.9
2nd Ranger Account	£51.4.8
Protection and Improvement Fund	£146.16.5

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

Kirby Herbert

12 weeks salary as Ranger at £2

to 28th inst.

£24:0:0

House rent at 5/-

£3:0:0

Employers insurance

£0:17:0

£27:17:0

Hatchett, J.W

12 weeks salary as 2nd Ranger at £2

to 28th inst.

£24:0:0

Employers insurance

£0:17:0

£24:17:0

It is resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 1st August next at 2:30 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The meeting terminated at 3:45 p.m.

G.M. Maryon-Wilson

Chairman

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### **A meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley on Wednesday the 1st day of August 1928 at 2.30 p.m.**

Mr. George M. Maryon-Wilson in the chair

Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B.

Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart.

Colonel Charles Needham

Mr. James Card

Mr. F.G.J. Eckstein

Mr. D.W. Freshfield

Mr. Herbert R. Hardy

Mr. Robert Kenward

Mr. Thomas Osborne

#### **Mr Haslam's absence**

A letter is read from Mr. Haslam expressing his regret at being unable to attend owing to his absence in Guernsey.

#### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last meeting are read and confirmed,

Commons Preservation Society subscription

The question of giving a subscription to the Commons Preservation Society (p 245) is considered, and it is Resolved that a subscription of £2:2:0 be given, to be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

#### **Military manoeuvres**

Major J.E. D\*\*dee the Assistant Compensation Officer in connection with the forthcoming Army manoeuvres attends the meeting and informs the Board that \*\* troops of whom 2,000 to 3,000 will be infantry will be manoeuvring in the district between the 28th August and 20th September next. It is not proposed to camp or make any excavations or trenches on the Forest, that special orders are already in existence warning the troops to take every precaution whereby fires may be avoided and that one Battalion will be on duty ready to deal with any outbreaks of fire. The War Department will make good all damage done in the course of the manoeuvres and settle any claims of the Board even though they may not be referred within 48 hours as required by the Regulations.

It is Resolved that consent be granted to the application on the above terms.

#### **Deposit of refuse on St. John's Common; dangerous corner at Friars Gate**

The Maresfield Committee report that in accordance with their delegated powers they have authorised the Surveyor of the East Grinstead Rural District Council to deposit house refuse in the sand pit at St John's Common, on

condition that it is covered in and causes no nuisance to the neighbours and (2) to metal the dangerous corner at Friars Gate. It is resolved that the Acts of the Committee be approved.

### **P.C. Taylor**

The Clerk reports that he has paid P.C. Taylor £1 for destruction of a pair of boots in extinguishing fires, as authorised at the last meeting, and wrote as directed to the Chief Constable and to P.C. Taylor an appreciation of the latter's admirable assistance in relation to forest fires.

### **Royal Ashdown Forest Golf Club parking**

Col. Needham reports that in pursuance of the authority given to the Forest Row Committee at their meeting in the absence of the Chairman of the Forest Row Committee, he with Admiral Sir Stanley Colville and Mr. James Card, met the secretary of the Golf Club, and after considering various alternatives, they gave authority for the paring of the edges of the road to the north, so that cars can be parked on the turf, immediately to the north of the present approved parking place, as shown on annexed plan.

### **Forest Row Committee report**

The Forest Row Committee present the following report which is read and it is resolved that it be entered on the minutes namely:

9th July 1928

The Forest Row Committee met at Wych Cross Place. Present Mr. D Freshfield, Chairman, Admiral Sir S. Colville and Colonel Needham.

### **Parking – prohibited at certain points**

The Committee recommend that the Byelaw 19 forbidding any wheeled conveyance to remain on the Forest should be so far enforced that wherever "parking" interferes with the reasonable enjoyment of private grounds or roads it should be prohibited. For this object owners of property affected should be allowed on application to the Board to erect posts marked "No parking here (by Order)" and the Rangers should be instructed to enforce the order.

### **Weller**

It was reported by the Chairman that this vagrant was still on the Forest harbouring under bushes at night and roaming with a gun. Mr. Freshfield produced a letter from the Clerk stating that in his opinion a Ranger could summon him if found on the Forest with a gun under Byelaw 3. The Ranger was informed and instructed to act if he found occasion

### **Fire near Cold Harbour of tree tops**

A large fire was reported W of the Forest Row - Plaw Hatch road. Its extent had been largely due to the fact that the purchaser from Lord De La Warr of some timbers, cut in exercise of the Lord's rights, had not removed the tops which lay about and contributed to make the blaze uncontrollable.

A letter from Mr Brown the Lord's Reeve was read confirming this statement. The Committee recommend that the Clerk should communicate with Lord De La Warr's Solicitors on the subject.

### **Dumping rubbish**

The Ranger reported he had been able to show to the Medical Officer for the District the extent to which the Forest was used as a dumping ground for pots and pans, broken crockery and more offensive rubbish. The Committee recommend that the Board should report their remonstrations to the East Grinstead Rural Council against their neglect of scavenging in the Forest Row District and consequent abuse of the forest.

### **Weeds**

The Ranger was reminded of the need of collecting waste paper after weekends and instructed to cut the thistle growth on and about the War Camp at Highgate.

### **Wych Cross road improvements**

The Committee learnt that the County Council had applied to do certain work on the sides of the high road between Forest Row and Cherry Orchard and that the Clerk had under the order of the Board instructed Ranger Kirby to supervise the proposed work, having regard to the recreational beauty of this road and to the injuries done to the natural beauty elsewhere in uncalled for road improvement. The Committee trusts that the Board will ask for

a plan before sanctioning any attacks on the roadside banks. It notes that the supervision would naturally fall on the Ranger in whose district this part of the road lies. There should be no doubt as to which Ranger is to be responsible.

### **Scouts – leave to camp**

Permission was given to two parties of Scouts (N. London and Camberwell) both of whom had previously camped on the Forest to camp in the first fortnight of August under the usual conditions.

The Ranger applied for the fortnight's holiday in July which he was entitled to this was granted

Douglas W. Freshfield  
Chairman

### **Parking places**

The Chairman points out that if this course were approved it might be inferred that parking was authorised in all parts of the forest where no such boards were exhibited and would lead to a contravention of Bye Law 9 which he reads to the board. After full discussion it is resolved that at the discretion of the Board permission be given to owners of property adjoining the Forest to prohibit parking by the erection of notice boards displaying the words "No parking allowed" further than an annual charge of 2/6 be payable for each notice board.

### **Weller**

The Clerk advises that all proceedings under the Bye Laws must be instituted by one of the Rangers only.

### **Fire of tree tops**

The Clerk reports that he wrote to Lord De La Warr's Solicitors on 11th July last urging that when timber on the Forest is sold in future the purchaser be required to remove the tops to prevent the risk of fire. It is resolved that his action be approved.

### **Deposit of refuse**

Complaints as to the continued deposit of refuse on the Forest round the Forest Row area are considered, and it is resolved that a protest be addressed to the East Grinstead Rural District Council in a form to be approved by the Chairman.

### **Wych Cross road improvement**

It is resolved that application be made to the County Council for the plan of any proposal works.

It is resolved that subject to the foregoing matters the report of the Committee be approved and confirmed.

### **International stores deposit**

Ranger Kirby having reported the deposit of considerable trade refuse belonging to the International Stores on the Forest the Clerk wrote to them on the subject. A representative of the company interviewed the Clerk and expressed extreme regret and wrote that they have given instructions that it should not recur and have tendered a donation of £2:2:0 by way of atonement to the Protection and Improvement Fund.

It is resolved that the explanations, apology and undertaking be accepted and that the company be thanked for the donation.

### **Rangers – damage to clothing**

Ranger Hatchett reports that he has sustained damage to his clothing whilst extinguishing fires, to an amount of £2.10.0. Ranger Kirby also presents a claim for a like amount. It is resolved that their claims be approved and paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Weed destruction**

A letter dated the 31st May last from the Agricultural Committee of the East Sussex County Council is read asking that every step be taken to destroy injurious weeds growing on the Forest before they seed and adding that it is difficult for the Committee when approached by private occupiers to have pointed out to them that nothing is done on such areas as Ashdown Forest. It is resolved that the Director of Agriculture be given an assurance that the Board will deal with the matter.



### **Mr. Hankinson**

An application is read from Mr. Jas. G. Hankinson of Hartfield, with regard to the suggestion that a levy of per motor be charged to picnickers and enquiring whether the Board would be disposed to sell him the right to levy same or a smaller sum according to vehicles, and offering £20 or a little more for the right to levy for 12 months.

It is resolved that he be informed the Board are advised that any proposal for a charge being made for parking on Ashdown Forest cannot be entertained, being contrary to the bye law governing the Forest and Mr. Hankinson being in attendance is informed thereof.

It is further resolved that Lord Edward Gleichen and Mr. George Duckworth be similarly informed in reply to their suggestions.

### **Major Denning fires**

Letters are read from Major James Denning of 4th and 8th June last with reference to a large fire on the Forest on the 3rd June which started about 150 feet west of Forest Row to Plaw Gate road. A small fire had been made by campers, apparently gypsies, the ashes of which were still hot at midday of Sunday the 4th June, about 20 feet from the site of the fire in question and did not connect with it, so that the large fire was maliciously started or caused by a lighted match carelessly thrown down by the campers or perhaps by someone passing along the adjacent east track.

### **Telephone lines for rangers**

Major Denning suggests the desirability of having the Rangers' houses connected up with the public telephone and that the various exchanges be asked to co-operate when an alarm is given, when any number of men could be called out at short notice.

It is resolved (a) that Major Denning be thanked for his letter and informed that his suggestion as to telephones is being followed up, and (b) that the Clerk ascertains from the district manager of the Telephone Department, Brighton, the charge for connecting the houses of both rangers with the telephone and report the result to the Chairman, and that if the total cost does not exceed £10 the latter be authorised to arrange for the necessary installation.

### **Geo. T. Martin**

An application is read from Mr. George T. Martin of Tile Barn, Forest Row, for permission to erect a small finger post on the Forest at the junction of the farm road and the main road near the Forge painted "Isle of Thorns" in white letters on a black ground.

It is resolved that consent be given to the application upon Mr. Martin entering into a revocable licence subject to the payment of an annual acknowledgement of 2/6 and the Clerk's charges for the licence.

### **Mr. H. Newell Birch application to camp**

Letters are read from Mr. H. Newell Birch, a member of the Birch family, of "The Priory", Forest Row, applying for permission to camp occasional weekends and about a fortnight in the summer on the Forest about 100 yards on the Goat side of Hindleap Cottages among a clump of trees off the Wych Cross road.

It is resolved that consent be not granted.

A list of the existing acknowledgements paid in respect of licences granted is presented to the meeting.

### **Finances**

The Clerk produces the Bank Books which show the following balances in hand:

General Account	£266:19:9
2nd Ranger Account	£100:10:2
Pro & Imp Fund	£172:15:6

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

Kirby Herbert

10 weeks salary as Ranger @ £2 to 6th inst.	£20:0:0
House rent @ 5/-	£2:10:0
Employers insurance	£0:14:2
£23:4:2	
10 weeks salary as Ranger @ £2 to 6th inst.	£20:0:0
Employers insurance	£0:14:2
£20:14:2	
Raper W.A.	
½ yrs salary as Clerk to 30th June last	£75:0:0
Creasey & CO. 19 weeks rent of 2nd Ranger's house to 6th inst. at 10/6	£9:19:6

### **Ranger motor cycle accessories**

Accounts for petrol required for the Rangers' motor cycles are presented from Mr. C.E. Martin for £2:3:6 and Mr. F.J. Ridley for £1:6:5. It is resolved that they be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

It is resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 31st October next at 2.30 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The meeting terminated at 4.25 p.m.

G.M. Maryon-Wilson  
Chairman

### **A meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Inn, at Nutley on Wednesday the 31st day of October 1928 at 2.30 p.m.**

Mr. George M. Maryon-Wilson in the chair  
Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B.  
Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart.  
Colonel Charles Needham  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. D.W. Freshfield  
Mr. Herbert R. Hardy  
Mr. G.D. Haslam  
Mr. Robert Kenward  
Mr. William Mitchell  
Mr. Thomas Osborne

### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last meeting are read and confirmed.

A letter is read from Mr. F.G.J. Eckstein apologising for his absence.

### **Military manoeuvres**

The Clerk reports that the Military manoeuvres took place and a charge for £4.1.0 being amount of damage has been sent to the Authorities.

### **Rangers telephones**

That the Post Office require a rental of £7 per annum per house for laying on the telephone to the Rangers' houses and in addition the usual fees for all calls which considerably exceeds the limit fixed at the last meeting viz. £10 to include both.

It is Resolved that (a) the houses of both Rangers be connected at a rental of £7 each for one year as a trial starting from 1st January 1929 (b) the Clerk be authorised to sign the necessary agreements with the Telephone Department

(c) the Rangers do keep records of all outward calls (d) the members of the Board and Commoners be notified of the Rangers' telephone numbers and (e) in the Telephone Directory the following entries be made:

Ashdown Forest Ranger, Forest Row District

Ashdown Forest Ranger, Maresfield District

### **Annual Return**

The Clerk lays on the table a duplicate of the Annual Return made to the Ministry of Health.

### **Legsheath notice board "No Parking"**

He submits an application from Legsheat Farm Ltd for permission to erect a "No Parking allowed" notice board to the south of their property at the point where the trees are leased to them. It is Resolved that the application be granted upon payment of a yearly acknowledgment of 2/6.

### **Forest Row Committee report**

The Forest Row Committee present the following report which is read namely:

#### **22nd October 1928.**

A Meeting of the Forest Row Committee was held at Wych Cross. Present – The Chairman, Colonel Needham and Mr. Hardy. Admiral Sir S. Colville excused himself as he had to go to Egypt and Mr. Card wrote he was unable to be present.

### **East Surrey Traction Co. notice boards**

An application from the East Surrey Traction Co. to erect boards at certain points on the Forest was considered. It was recommended that it might be granted subject to the boards being of small dimensions and placed close to and if possible on the same post as the Conservators' notice boards.

### **Road improvements**

The work now being carried out by the County Council near Cherry Orchard on the Forest Row - Wych Cross Road was reported. The Clerk having put the matter in the hands of Kirby, acting as the Lord's Reeve, the Chairman of the Forest Row Committee had instructed Hatchett to watch on the part of the Conservators the progress of the work. He also interviewed the Officer of the County Council who showed great readiness to meet the Board's views as to avoiding any permanent injury to the landscape. Material being available from a disused quarry on the spot, the improvements which will add greatly to the safety of the high road are progressing steadily and satisfactorily.

### **Weller –gun**

The Ranger reported that he had found on the Forest in a shack with the clothes of Weller, the homeless and half witted vagabond who frequents the Forest, a loaded gun. He had after consulting the Clerk handed the gun over to The Police Superintendent at East Grinstead, on whom Waller had called and claimed it. The question of prosecuting Weller under Section III of the Byelaws was considered by the members of the Forest Row Committee available at the moment. It was argued that in all the circumstances the severe caution Weller had received from the Police met the occasion.

### **Mr. Nettlefold licence for additional road**

An application from the Mr. Nettlefold of the Vetchery for leave to make good a secondary track leading from his farm to a point on his private road 150 yards from the high road was considered. The Committee desired that the Ranger should obtain further local information from Mr. Nettlefold's bailiff.

### **Motor parking**

The Committee had before them letters from Mr. Chapman of Ashdown Place and Mr. Bond of Forest Row regarding the regulation of motor parking on the Forest, the leaving of litter, and forest fires. They considered also some correspondence between the Chairman and the Secretary of the Automobile Association.

### **Warning to parkers**

It was agreed that the setting up of suitable notice boards prohibiting parking in unsuitable spots, as authorised at the last Board, was likely to diminish the practice. The Rangers should take the numbers of cars the occupiers of which refused to comply with the notices on the Boards with a view to their being summoned.

### **Leaflet**

The suggestion of the Automobile Association with regard to the distribution of leaflets protesting against litter deposit was approved.

### **Fire protection**

It was recommended that the correspondence and suggestion as fire protection should be referred by the Board to the Fire Committee with power to act.

### **Mr. Robinson proposals for tree planting**

The Chairman submitted the correspondence he had had with Mr. Robinson of Gravetye who deplored the hideous burnt waste presented by the track near Chelwood Gate and was anxious to assist in any steps the Board found itself able to take to restore the natural features of the Forest. Mr. Freshfield had explained to Mr. Robinson that no planting involving practical diminution of the pasturage rights of the Commoners was possible, the Clerk however has pointed out that it was one of the duties of the Board as laid down in its Order to keep up the old clumps that serve as landmarks.

Douglas W. Freshfield

It is Resolved that the acts and recommendations of the Committee as reported be approved and adopted. Mr. Freshfield reports that further information having been obtained with reference to this application, it appears that the track is required for the diversion of farm carts and other heavy traffic which has hitherto passed on Mr. Nettlefold's present road, causing considerable damage to it. It is Resolved that a revocable licence be granted to metal the existing track to a width not exceeding 10 feet, upon the usual conditions and upon payment of an annual acknowledgment of £2:2:0 and the Clerk's proper charges for the preparation thereof.

### **Maresfield Committee Report**

The Maresfield Committee present the following report which is read namely:

26th October 1928

The Maresfield Committee met this afternoon, all members being present except Mr. Hardy

### **Miss Morris application for road**

Having considered Miss Morris's application to make a motor track across the forest to Bracklay Cottage Fairwarp they recommend that a revocable licence be allowed as per plan, which follows the existing track for about 70 yards then across the Forest where a road is now used for about 50 yards to the main road shown on the plan. They think £1 per annum should be paid for this concession the road not to exceed 8 feet in width.

### **Miss Roberts application for road**

With regard to Miss Roberts' application for a supplemental road to Jacks Plat, Duddleswell, the Committee are of opinion that plans should be submitted before sanction is given for another entrance on the Forest, as the new proposed garage would have to be put back beyond the existing one, so as not to encroach on the Forest.

### **Mr. Read direction board.**

As regards an application from Mr Read to erect a post indicating the road to Spring Gardens, the Committee see no objection provided it is placed a little way back from the main road and he pays the usual yearly acknowledgement.

### **East Surrey Tractors Co. application for notice boards**

As regards the application of the East Surrey Traction Co. to erect time table boards for their new bus route at Fairwarp, Duddleswell and Kingstanding, the Committee see no objection to the grant of a revocable licence for these posts being erected provided they are placed in such a position as not to disfigure the Forest, and such places to be given to the satisfaction of the Ranger and the Bus Company to pay a yearly licence of the same amount as that fixed by the Forest Row Committee.

Robert Kenward Chairman

**Miss Roberts application to enlarge approach to garage**

Miss Roberts' plan of the proposed extension of her road having been received and considered by the Board it is resolved that a revocable licence be granted to her to widen the existing road as shown on the plan not exceeding 10 feet upon the usual conditions and upon payment of a yearly acknowledgment of 5/- and the Clerk's proper charges for the preparation thereof.

**East Surrey Omnibus Co. application to erect boards**

It is Resolved that a revocable licence be granted to the East Surrey Omnibus Company subject to the usual conditions and payment of an annual acknowledgement of 10/- per board and the proper charges of the Clerk for preparing the licence.

It is resolved that the remaining Portions of the report of the Committee be approved and confirmed

**Mr. W. Robinson tree planting**

A letter is read dated the 26th August last addressed by Mr. W. Robinson of Gravetye Manor to Mr. Freshfield urging action to lessen the forest fires and the adoption of a scheme of planting trees on parts of the forest to add to its beauty and repose, and suggesting an appeal to the neighbours to contribute to the cost and offering to contribute 50 guineas towards a satisfactory scheme.

Mr Freshfield undertook to lay the proposal before this Board but pointed out that any such plantations would have to be protected by fences and there would be great danger of the trees and fences being destroyed by ill disposed persons.

Mr Freshfield now suggests that he should call on Mr. Robinson and explain that the powers of the Board do not permit them to adopt the suggestion of planting trees, and take the opportunity of endeavouring to obtain Mr Robinson's assistance in authorised directions if the Board approved this course.

It is resolved that Mr Freshfield be authorised to do as he suggests, the Board gratefully accepting his offer.

**Lord Edward Gleichen's suggestion**

A letter is read from Lord Edward Gleichen suggesting that Boy Scouts should be authorised to ask picnickers on the Forest to make a voluntary donation to the Conservancy funds.

It is resolved that he be informed that his further letter has been considered but the Board regret that they cannot see their way to adopt his suggestion.

**Sir Geo. Duckworth's suggestion**

A letter from Sir George Duckworth is also read suggesting that a short leaflet might be printed and handed to picnickers with a request that they contribute voluntarily to the maintenance of the amenities of the Forest .It is resolved that he be informed that the question of a leaflet is receiving the consideration of the Board.

Mr. G.D. Haslam raises the question of posting notices requesting picnickers not to leave litter on the Forest and produces two specimen placards which he has had printed. The Board consider these and a suggestion from the Rangers that small trenches be cut at places where there are no recognised cart tracks in order to limit the areas over which paper etc. is now scattered. After general discussion it is resolved that (a) the existing rubbish notice boards be repainted with black ground and inscribed "Please leave no litter" in white letters and (b) that an estimate of the cost first be obtained and submitted to the Chairman for his approval

**Weed killing**

The Clerk reports that on the instructions of the Chairman he forwarded to the Secretary of the Agricultural Committee a copy of Mr Randolph Glen's opinion and reads a reply that the Agricultural Committee approached the Board in the hope that they would co-operate in this matter. The Chairman informs the Board that the present season's campaign is over and it is resolved that the consideration of the matter be adjourned until next year.

**Bye Law Boards repairs**

Ranger Kirby reports that various Bye Law Boards in his district require repairs and repainting .It is resolved that estimates for the necessary work be obtained and submitted to the Chairman for his approval.

### **Bond, Major, detection of fires**

Mr. Freshfield reads a letter which he has received from Major W.C. Bond of Shalesbrook, Forest Row, with reference to the detection of fires. It is Resolved that it be referred to the Fire Committee.

### **Finances**

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books which show the following balances in hand:

General Account	£209:9:7
Second Ranger Account	£82:11:0
Pro. & Imp. Fund	£145:14:2

### **Cheques**

It is resolved that Cheques be drawn as follows:-

#### **Kirby Herbert**

12 weeks salary as Ranger

at £2 to 29th August £24:0:0

House rent at 5/- £3:0:0

Employers Insurance £0:17:0

£27:17:0

Hatchett J. W 12 weeks salary

12 weeks salary as Ranger

at £2 to 29th August £24:0:0

Employers Insurance £0:17:0

£24:17:0

Creasey Son & Wickenden 13 weeks rent

of 2nd Ranger house to 5 Nov. 1928 £6:16:0

### **Rangers' petrol**

The Rangers present bills for petrol etc. used for their motor cycles namely from Mr. C.E. Martin for £2:10:0 and Mr. F.J Ridley for £1:19:10. It is resolved that they be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Annual meeting**

It is Resolved that the Commoners Annual Meeting be held on Wednesday the 12th December next at 11 a.m. and the meeting of this Board be held immediately after it.

The Meeting terminated at 4.35 p.m.

G.M. Maryon-Wilson

Chairman

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**The Annual Meeting of the Commoners interested in Ashdown Forest duly convened by the Clerk by notice on the principal door of the Church of each of the Parishes and Ecclesiastical Districts into which the Forest extends by advertisements in two newspapers circulating in the neighbourhood, to wit, "The Sussex Express" and "The Sussex Daily News" at least fourteen days before this date and by notice sent by post to each Commoner and held at the Shelley Arms Hotel, at Nutley, on Wednesday the 18th of December 1929 at 11 o'clock of the forenoon.**

[note these are obviously draft papers with many crossings out and amendments]

Mr. George M. Maryon-Wilson in the chair

Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B.

Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart.

Col. Charles Needham

Sir George Collins

Mr. James Card

Mrs. E.M. Curtis  
Mr. F.G.J. Eckstein  
Mr. Geo. D. Haslam  
Mr. Alfred Faber  
Mr. Herbert R. Hardy  
Mr. Robert Kenward  
Mr. William Mitchell  
Mr. Thomas Osborne  
Mr. H. Jesse Ridley  
Mr. John Rowe  
Mr. H. Waters

### **Election of Chairman**

Mr. Geo. M. Maryon-Wilson having taken the Chairman and before proceeding with the business of the Meeting all present standing he expressed the earnest hope that His Majesty the King whose severe illness is a matter of great national anxiety may be restored to health.

The Clerk reads the notice, convening this meeting and reports the due publication thereof as above mentioned.

### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last annual meeting of the commoners are read and confirmed.

### **Conservators election of**

The Clerk reports that the four conservators who retire by rotation on the 31st inst are Mr William Mitchell, Colonel Charles Needham, Mr. Haslam and Mr. William Harry Abbey and that two vacancies arise in consequence of the resignation of Douglas William Freshfield and Robert Kenward.

The Chairman then invites nominations to fill the four vacancies caused by those Conservators who retire by rotation.

It is proposed by Mr. Heath and seconded by Mr Osborne that Mr William Mitchell be re-elected a Conservator.

It is Proposed by Mr. Haslam and seconded by Mr. Denning that  
Colonel Charles Needham be re-elected a Conservator.

It is proposed by ... and seconded by ... that ... be re elected a Conservator.

It is proposed by Mr. Jesse Ridley and seconded by Mr. Mitchell that William Osborne be re elected a Conservator.

No other Commoner having been proposed using the Chairman declared the four above proposed Commoners duty elected Conservators of the Forest for the ensuing three years ending the 31st December 1932.

The Chairman then invites nominations to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Freshfield.

It is proposed by the Jesse Ridley and seconded by Mr Osborne that Mr William Henry Abbey of Uckfield be elected a Conservator to fill the vacancy.

It is proposed by the Mr. Maryon-Wilson and seconded by Mr. Haslam that that Mr. James Dunning be selected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Robert Kenward.

On a show of hands 7 Commoners voted for and 5 against the election of Mr. Abbey. The Chairman declared that Mr Abbey is elected to take the place of Mr. Eckstein, resigned, till the 31st December 1929 subject to his consenting to act.

It was then resolved that in the event of Mr. Abbey declining to accept the office, Mr James Denning is hereby appointed a Conservator to take the place of Mr. Eckstein.

Mr. Maryon-Wilson thanks the Conservators for the renewal of their confidence in heir after having served office for 31 years. Mr. Card also thanks the Meeting for re-electing him.

## **Weeds**

A question being asked what action is being taken to deal with the weeds on the forest the Chairman states that the Boy Scouts have helped and the Rangers in their spare time.

## **Bye Law boards**

Mr. Jesse Ridley proposes that the Bye Laws should be painted on boards instead of paper prints being fixed on the Boards. The Clerk states that the cost of doing so would be enormous. The resolution on the subject was carried.

## **Fencing opposite Fords Green**

Mr. Ridley also suggests that wire fencing should be erected along the side of the road opposite Fords Green. The Chairman promises to bring the matter before the Board of Conservators.

On the motion of Mr. Denning seconded by Mr. Jessie Ridley it is resolved that a hearty vote of thanks be tendered to the Chairman for his able conduct of the business.

G.M. Maryon-Wilson  
Chairman

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## **A meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Hotel at Nutley on Wednesday the 20th day of February 1929 at 2.30 p.m.**

Mr. George M. Maryon-Wilson in the chair  
Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B.  
Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart.  
Colonel Charles Needham  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. D.W. Freshfield  
Mr. Herbert R. Hardy  
Mr. G.D. Haslam  
Mr. Robert Kenward  
Mr. William Mitchell  
Mr. Thomas Osborne

## **Chairman election of**

The Clerk informs the meeting that the first business is to appoint a Chairman for the year and on the motion of Sir Stanley Colville, seconded by Mr. Mitchell it is unanimously resolved that Mr. George Maryon-Wilson be the Chairman of the Board for the current year. Mr. Maryon-Wilson thanks the Board for his re-election as their Chairman for the 30th time and his fellow members as well as the staff for their hearty co-operation in the execution of his duties.

## **Vice-Chairman election of**

On the motion of Mr. Haslam, seconded by Sir Stanley Colville it is resolved that Mr. Herbert R. Hardy be appointed Vice-Chairman for the current year.

## **Mr. R. Kenward's Death**

Before proceeding with the business the Chairman refers to the great loss sustained by the Conservancy by the death in December last of Mr. Robert Kenward who had been a very valuable member of this Board for 28 years and for a number of years acted as Chairman of the Maresfield Committee and as a member of the Fire Committee, and on his motion it is unanimously resolved that this Board desires to place on record its appreciation of the valuable services rendered to the Conservancy by the late Mr. Robert Kenward for 28 years and the great loss which it has sustained by his death and to tender to his family its sincere sympathy in the great loss they have sustained .

## **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last meeting are then read and confirmed.



### **Mr. W.H. Abbey**

The Clerk reports that Mr. William Henry Abbey has accepted the office of Conservator to which he was appointed at the last annual meeting of the Commoners. A letter is read from Mr. Abbey apologising for his absence.

### **Committees**

The following Committees are then appointed for the current year

The Forest Row Committee Mr. D. W. Freshfield, Sir Stanley Colville , Col. Needham, Mr. Herbert R. Hardy, Mr. James Card and Mr. William Mitchell

The Maresfield Committee, Sir Francis H. Champneys, Mr. George D. Haslam, Mr. Thomas Osborne, Mr. Herbert R. Hardy and Mr. W.H. Abbey and the Committee thereupon point Mr. Haslam their Chairman.

The Fire Committee. The Chairman of the Board, the Chairmen of both District Committees, Sir Stanley Colville and Mr. Herbert R. Hardy.

### **Fire Committee**

It is resolved that the Fire Committee meet on Wednesday the 13th March next at 2.30 o'clock at the Nutley Inn to consider what arrangements if any are to be made in anticipation of the approaching fire season and to consider as to the issue of a leaflet suggested by Mr. Freshfield which was referred to that Committee.

### **Rangers' telephones**

The Clerk reports that the Rangers houses have been connected up with the telephone and are entered in the telephone directories:

Ranger Kirby  
Ranger Hatchett

Nutley 67  
Forest Row 149

### **H. Freeman holly cutting**

The Clerk reports that H. Freeman who Ranger Hatchett reported at the last meeting as having been found with a car load of holly cut on the Forest has paid the full penalty of 40/- and given an undertaking not to repeat the offence.

### **Forest Row Committee**

Mr. Freshfield reports that no meeting of the Forest Row Committee has been held.

He states that he has received an application from the Ashdown Forest Hotel for permission to erect a direction post on the forest. It is resolved that the application be referred to the Forest Row Committee with power to act.

### **Revd. H.H. Lowe**

The Clerk reports that he replied to the Revd. H.H. Lowe as directed at the last meeting and he also wrote to the East Grinstead R.D. Council enquiring what steps have been taken for the collection of refuse at Forest Row, and received a reply (21st December last) that "the proposed scheme for scavenging in forest Row and other Districts is still under consideration".

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It is resolved that a further letter be addressed to the Rural District Council of East Grinstead enquiring what steps they propose to take in the matter.

### **Roebuck licence refused**

The Clerk reports that having learnt that an application was being made to the East Grinstead Licensing Session to be held on the 11th inst. for the grant of a full licence for the Old Roebuck at Wych Cross with provisions for a large number of cars and chars-a-banc he reported the matter to the Chairman who directed him to oppose on behalf of the Board the granting of the licence on the grounds that (1) having regard to the very few inhabitants in the locality a licenced house is not required (2) that for the convenience of wayfarers there is ample provision within reasonable distance at Forest Row, Nutley and Chelwood Gate, and (3) that concentrating large bodies of beanfeasters at this spot will very greatly increase the risk of fires from cigarette ends thrown away in the undergrowth on this part of the Forest where forest fires have been especially frequent. Mr. Fovargue appeared for the Board before the Bench and opposed the application which was also opposed by Mr. Freshfield and other

residents with the result that the licence was refused. It is resolved that the action of the Chairman in giving instruction to oppose be and is hereby approved and confirmed and that he be thanked for his prompt action.

### **Fords Green traffic**

Sir Francis Champneys states that Mr. Horscraft who occupies a cottage on the west side of Fords Green just beyond the timber yard has made complaint that carts and trolleys travel across and cut up the turf between his cottage and the track way which runs from the road opposite the William IV Inn up that side of the Green, being contrary to Bye Law no. 19. It is suggested that a notice board be erected near the main road requiring that the traffic keep to the existing east track.

It is resolved that the matters be referred to the Maresfield Committee with power to act.

### **Mr. W. Robinson's suggestion**

Mr. Freshfield brings before the meeting suggestions by Mr. W. Robinson which consist of sowing the direct seeds of native trees, limitation of furze and its clearance by mechanical means and replanting with grass and the erection of forest shelters by plantations of yew. He is willing to offer £50 towards the expense of some approved scheme. After general discussion it is resolved that the suggestions be referred to the Fire Committee to consider and report thereon, and that in the meantime Mr. Robinson be informed his proposals are receiving the sympathetic consideration of the Board and that a definite reply will be sent to him at the earliest possible date.

### **Audit report**

Mr. Haslam reports that in consequence of the death of his colleague Mr. Robert Kenward, he has audited alone the accounts for the year 1928 and presents the following report which is read and it is resolved that it be entered on the minutes namely:

To the Conservators of Ashdown Forest.

In consequence of the death of my colleague Mr. Robert Kenward I have carried out the audit of the accounts of the conservancy alone. I have to day examined (1) the General Account (2) the Second Ranger Account, and (3) the Account of the Protection and Improvement Fund, each for the year 1928. I have the balances brought forward from last year and his numerous receipts, and have compared the payments charged to each account with the vouchers for same and have checked the casting of the accounts and fund then all correct.

The balance of each account stood on 31st December last as follows:-

Account No. 1 in hand	£75:16:7
Account No. 2 in hand	£30:5:5
Protection and Improvement Fund in hand	£31:15:0

The sum of £159:15:4 Consols and the sum of £150 5% was stock 1929/47 represent the investments held on account of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

I found the accounts well kept and correct

The position of the Second Ranger account requires serious consideration as the subscriptions do not meet the expenditure.

Dated this 20th day of July 1929  
G. D. Haslam

It is resolved that the report be approved that the accounts be signed by the Chairman and that the grateful thanks of the Board accorded to Mr. Haslam for his services.

### **2nd Ranger Fund**

The Clerk reports that the present expenditure on the 2nd Ranger amounts to about £173 per annum, while the subscriptions amount to only about £140 per annum exclusive of donations, and about £24 per annum of above expenditure is charged to the Protection and Improvement Fund.

It is resolved that further consideration of the position be deferred to the next meeting.

## Rangers' reports

Ranger Kirby reports since the last meeting the removal of gypsy caravans on two occasions and that the repairs to the road at Cherry Orchard have been completed satisfactorily, which completes his report.

Ranger Hatchett has been laid up with influenza since the 13th inst. He reports that the laying of a main by the Gas and Water Co. under their statutory power across Highgate Green has been completed and the surface restored to his satisfaction and that he removed gypsies on 9 different days. He has nothing more to report

## Rate

The Clerk reports that the current rate is now about to be exhausted and that it will be necessary to make another rate without delay. It is resolved that notice be given on the agenda for the next meeting of the board to make a new rate and that the Clerk prepare the necessary documents for the purpose.

## Notice board repair of

The Rangers having reported that Messrs. Chuter & Tyler have carried out the repairs to the notice boards to their satisfaction pursuant to the resolution passed at the last meeting (see p.273 ante). It is resolved that the amount of their tender £15:3:0 be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books which show the following balances in hand:

General Account	£91:19:1
2nd Ranger Account	£50:13:11
Pro & Imp Fund	£160:14:2

## Cheques

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:-

Kirby, Herbert

8 weeks salary to 25th inst	£16:0:0
8 weeks house rent 25th inst	£2:0:0
8 weeks Employers Insurance	£0:11:4
	£18:11:4

Hatchett J. W

8 weeks salary to 25th inst	£16:0:0
8 weeks Employers insurance	£0:11:4
	£16:11:4

W. J. Coates Ltd

Repair to Ranger Hatchett's bicycle	£2:8:6
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Mr. Freshfield asks the Board to subscribe to the funds of the Society for the Preservation of Rural England. It is resolved that £1:1:0 be subscribed and paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

## Ranger Hatchett's illness

The Clerk reports that Ranger Hatchett has been laid up since the 13th inst, and he is instructed to adjust Ranger Hatchett's wages by taking into consideration any allowances and payments received by Ranger Hatchett from the National Health Insurance Benefit.

## Mr. E. Harman arrears of Rate

The Clerk reports that notwithstanding repeated applications Mr. E. Harman of Forest Row owes forest rates (including arrears) amounting to £24:14:0. He asks the instructions of the Board.

It is resolved that a letter be written to Mr. Harman to the effect that the Board trust that, he will see his way to clear the arrears by the 1st May and that on is failure to do so they must take steps in the matter.

It is resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 22nd day of May next at 2.30 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The meeting terminated at 40 p.m. H.R. Hardy Chairman

**A Meeting of the Fire Committee duty convened and held at the Nutley Inn at Nutley on Wednesday the 13th day of March 1929 at 2.30 p.m.**

Mr. Geo. M. Maryon-Wilson in the chair  
Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B.  
Mr. D.W. Freshfield  
Mr. H.R. Hardy  
Mr. G.D. Haslam

The following report of the Clerk is read.

**Fires**

With the exception of two or three isolated cases, the mass of fires commenced on the 2nd march and have since been continuous.

The Rangers' reports down to and including Saturday last:

Ranger Kirby some 25 fires of which on Saturday the 9th inst. one on Stone Hill and Marl pits burnt 300 acres and one on Camphill 40 acres.

Ranger Hatchett reported 22 fires.

Other fires since Saturday last:

Since 9th March Kirby reports a further 700 acres in all parts of his area.

Hatchett 10 acres.

The origin of these fires is unknown. One or two may have been accidental, but there is no doubt that most of them are the work of incendiaries largely irresponsible youths. A few occurred between 2.30 and 5 p.m. but the bulk occurred between 6.30 and 10 p.m.

It is understood that Lord De La Warr's residence was in danger, and having regard to the whole position the Clerk, by the authority of the Chairman, wrote to Messrs. Hunt & Co. inviting them to attend this meeting ... their reply. Mr. Freshfield's request also the Clerk wrote to the Chief Constable (L.B. p.53) see his reply.

These fires however have not been confined to Ashdown Forest but have occurred in large numbers all over the South of England as evidenced by the newspaper reports. No doubt their extent is largely due to the exceptional dryness of the heather and gorse due to the long period of frost.

The difficulty of dealing with these fires is ... increased in consequence of the Commoners, who used to compete for the litter having now practically ceased to cut it.

The Rangers have roughly estimated that of the 6000 acres of Forest land, 3000 acres are covered with litter and the remainder represents open pasture.

Colonel Barchard writes urging that a reward should be offered for discovery of the perpetrators and suggesting that many residents would no doubt be ready to subscribe for the purpose, such subscriptions however have not materialised and would take time to secure and the suggestion appears to be a doubtful expedient.

Meanwhile property owners should secure licences to cut safety zones outside their boundaries, which Messrs Hunt & Co, are prepared to grant on application.

My impression is that the worst of the season will soon be over. Meanwhile it is a matter for consideration whether the Rangers can and should secure one or two assistants for two or three weeks to assist them in watering and extinguishing.

But to my mind the thing would be to get somehow in touch with the working class round the forest and try to ascertain their point of view and if possible come to some understanding with them showing a readiness to cut and burn particular spots desired. For this purpose, all being well I would undertake next winter unofficially to get together an evening meeting or meetings at suitable places by distributing hand bills stating "A talk about the forest and its history" or something to that effect and introduce the subject of fires. If one proved satisfactory others could be held. It is possible that by that means we might get at the views of these people and try to arrange for burning certain areas and to make them understand that the Conservators want to work with them and to secure their co-operation.

I suggest that the issue of a leaflet had better be deferred for the present.

The Committee consider this and the written reports of the Rangers, and the latter bearing in attendance are further interrogated by the Committee on various aspects of the problem. After very careful consideration of the whole matter it is resolved:

- (a) That the Board notify the public that they are prepared to pay as reward to any person whose evidence results in a conviction of arson, the decision of the Board as to who is entitled to the reward to be final and conclusive and the reward to be upon such further conditions (if any) as shall be prepared by the Clerk and approved by the Chairman.
- (b) That such reward be fixed at £10.
- (c) That it is inexpedient to cut blocks, to employ extra men to assist the rangers, or to circulate any special leaflets or propaganda literature.
- (d) That a letter be written to the Automobile Association and Motor Union informing them that the Board will be most grateful if they can ... their patrols to give warning of fires to the Rangers whenever possible.
- (e) That a detective be employed independently of the two Rangers to carry out enquiries and the Clerk be instructed to interview a London firm and a private detective in Eastbourne and ascertain the expense involved and whether in the opinion of the detective employed the offer of a reward will prejudice his enquiries. On receipt of such information the Clerk shall report thereon to the Chairman who is hereby authorised to take such action as he may deem expedient both as regards offering a reward and employing a private detective.

The Committee then consider the suggestions of Mr. Robinson referred to them by the Board at the last meeting.

It is resolved that Mr. Robinson be thanked for his offer and be informed that while the Board greatly appreciate his proposals, they regret that with the limited funds at their disposal they are unable to adopt his suggestion in view of the large expenditure which his proposal would involve, but as it is their duty to preserve the natural beauty of the forest they hope that Mr Robinson will be able to see his way of divert the pecuniary offered to some other purpose.

The Clerk is directed to thank Mr. Lewis for notifying Ranger Hatchett by telephone of a fire in his area.

H.R. Hardy Chairman

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### **A meeting of the Fire Committee duly convened and held at the Nutley Hotel at Nutley on Wednesday the 22nd May 1929 at 2 p.m.**

Herbert R. Hardy Esq. in the chair  
D.W. Freshfield Esq.  
George D. Haslam Esq.  
Sir Stanley Colville

In the absence of Mr. Maryon-Wilson, Mr. Hardy is chosen Chairman.

### **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 13th March last are read and confirmed, Admiral Colville however expressing the view that the recommendations with regard to (1) the employment of a detective and (2) the offering of a reward were intended to be alternatives.

## **Fires**

The Rangers submit a list of forest fires that have occurred within their respective areas.

The Clerk states that he made enquiries with reference to the employment of a detective and reported the result to the Chairman.

### **C. Underwood incendiary prosecution**

The Clerk reports that Cyril Underwood, a man of about 27 living in Posthorn Lane, Forest Row, having been caught on the night of the 21st April last in the act of lighting the heather just outside Shalesbrook House at Forest Row, by the authority of Mr. Freshfield, Earl De La Warr's authority to prosecute was obtained and a summons was issued against Underwood to appear before the East Grinstead Bench for feloniously, unlawfully and maliciously setting fire to the heather. Mr A.H.M. Wedderburn was instructed and conducted the prosecution before the Bench. The case was heard on the 6th May last and Underwood was committed for trial at the ensuing East Sussex Quarter Sessions and admitted to bail. This Committee desire the confirmation of the Board of the action taken and their instructions to the Clerk to prosecute at the coming Quarter Sessions and that the cost thereof be charged to the Protection and Improvement Fund.

The Committee attach great importance to bringing before the court the ... number of fires.

### **Jas. Callaghan attempt to fire**

Ranger Kirby reports that on the 10th inst, he detected Jas Callaghan aged 18 years in an attempt to set fire to the forest undergrowth, and the Committee having considered his statement it is resolved that the Board be recommended if the authority of Lord De La Warr is obtained to prosecute Callaghan for feloniously unlawfully and maliciously attempting to set fire to the undergrowth.

The Committee further recommend that the Board at an early date to take into consideration the present Bye Laws with a view to bringing them up to date.

Sketches prepared by Mr. Freshfield and by the Clerk of a letter to be sent to the press with reference to the recent fires and in reply to letters which have appeared in the East Grinstead Observer are referred to Mr. Hardy to settle with the Chairman and publish if the Chairman approves.

Chairman

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## **A meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Hotel at Nutley on Wednesday the 22nd day of May 1929 at 3 p.m.**

Mr. H.R. Hardy in the Chair  
Admiral Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B.  
Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart.  
Col. Chas Needham  
Mr. W.H. Abbey  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. D.W. Freshfield  
Mr. Geo. D. Haslam  
Mr. W. Osborne  
Mr. W. Mitchell

In the absence of the Chairman the Chair is taken by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Hardy.

Mr. Abbey is welcomed as a new member of the Board.

The minutes of the last meeting are read and confirmed.

Refuse removal of

The Clerk wrote as directed at the last meeting to the Rural Council of East Grinstead enquiring what steps they propose taking as regards the removal of refuse at Forest Row and reads a reply that the Special Committee dealing with the matter has not yet reached a decision.

Mr. Freshfield points out that the recent burning of the forest underground has exposed all kinds of objectionable refuse and has in a few instances induced the adjacent occupiers to remove the rubbish in their vicinity. It is resolved that the Clerk do send a letter of thanks to those residents who assisted in cleaning up the rubbish and a request to others to do likewise.

It is further resolved that the Clerk do write to the Ministry of Health requesting them to take immediate steps for the regular collection of refuse in the Forest Row area and protesting against the long delay on the part of the East Grinstead Rural District Council in dealing with the matter.

### **Removal of charred gorse**

Also that the Clerk write to Messrs. Hunt & Co. and ask whether they cannot take steps to have the charred items of gorse on the Forest removed, that the Board is informed that there are many persons willing to take them away, and state that the Board would be glad if authorised to assist in disposing of them.

### **2nd Ranger Fund**

It is resolved that the consideration of the position of the 2nd Ranger Fund be further adjourned to the next meeting.

### **E. Harman arrears of rate**

The Clerk reports that in pursuance of instructions given at the last meeting he wrote to Mr. Harman to clear up his arrears of rate but has received no reply. Col. Needham offers to see Mr. Harman on the subject. It is resolved that failing a settlement the Clerk to take steps to recover the amount by distraining.

### **Fire Committee**

The Fire Committee present the following reports (see pp. 283 and 286 ante) which are read and considered and it is resolved that the acts, proceedings and recommendations of the Committee as reported & be and are hereby confirmed.

### **Fords Green notice against traffic**

The Maresfield Committee report that pursuant to the instructions given at the last meeting they met on the 20th February last at Fords Green and have caused a notice board stating "No road. Bye law 19" to be erected near the high road on the north side of the green at a cost of £1:15:0.

### **Miss Willis application for licence**

They further report that they met on the 17th next and considered an application from Miss Irene Cooper Willis who had contracted to purchase from Mr. F.B. Jarvis a property known as Little Birches" situate near Clay Pits for permission to lay a pipe to supply the house from a spring about 150 yards distant on the forest close to the opening from which "Ardens" is applied and if necessary to enlarge the hole, and as it is now unfenced and a danger to cattle to either cover or fence it and having viewed the locality the Committee recommend that subject to the assent of the Lord a revocable licence be granted to Miss Willis on the usual terms, subject to the following recommendations:

1. Make the hole 6 feet square and 3 feet deep.
2. The outlet pipe to be 18 inches from the bottom of the hole so that the hole immediately below the spring is sure of an overflow for cattle.
3. The sides of the hole to be ... .
4. An annual payment of £3.
5. The hole to be fenced all round exactly the same as the hole which supplies Ardens with water.

### **Mr. F.B. Jarvis temporary pipe**

The Committee observed that Mr. Jarvis has put down a temporary pipe line from another spring to Little Birches and it is recommended that the Clerk inform Mr. Jarvis that he had no right to lay a pipe without the definite permission of the Board and if it causes any inconvenience the Board may require him to remove the pipe at once and in any case to remove it entirely when the new water supply is completed.

The report having been considered it is Resolved that the recommendations of the Committee be approved and confirmed subject to the variation that the annual payment be made by Miss Willis of £2:10:0 to the Lord and £2:10:0 to the Conservators instead of one payment of £3 and that she pay the reasonable charges and expenses in relation to the preparation of the licence.

#### **Mr. Jarvis temporary licence**

It is further resolved that the Clerk inform Mr. Jarvis that they observe he has broken the terms of clause 2 of his licence dated 19th August 1927 by altering the level of the outlet of the spring applying Ardens and call upon him to restore it according to the terms of the licence.

It is also resolved that the Clerk inform Mr. Jarvis that he must either remove the loose pipe referred to or apply for a licence to retain it.

#### **Division of Mr. Jarvis' licence**

The Clerk produces a letter from Messrs. Collinson acting for Mr. Sidney Marsh the purchaser of the property called Ardens suggesting that there is no occasion to replace the above mentioned licence, which will now include the separate ownership by separate licences to each owner. It is resolved that Messrs. Collinson be informed that separate licences must now be entered into by the several owners and that the Clerk take the necessary steps to have them entered into the owners paying the Clerk's reasonable changes in relation thereto.

#### **Chas. Martin damage to hedge**

A letter is read dated the 4th April last from Mr. Chas. Martin of Misbourne Farm, Nutley, stating that 170 yards of his hedging was burnt by forest fires during March last, costing £3, and asking the Board to take into consideration his loss and recompense him that cost

It is resolved that Mr. Martin be informed that while the Board regret the damage sustained they can accept no responsibility for it.

#### **Mr. Sidney Marsh application for licence**

A letter is read from Mr Sidney Marsh of the Dulwich College Mission Troop who has purchased the property from as Ardens above mentioned asking permission (1) to clear a danger zone of some 50 yards round the property as a protection against fire (2) to pitch patrol tents from time to time outside his boundary when there is insufficient area inside on the understanding that no fires will be lit (3) to concrete round the spring above his house to prevent pollution of the water, making no alternation to the enclosing of the spring.

It is resolved that as regards cutting a safety zone Mr. Marsh be referred to the Lord's Solicitor, that no objection will be raised to tents being occasionally erected within 50 yards of the boundary fence of Ardens provided Mr. Marsh make application to Mr. Hardy a few days beforehand and that permission be granted to concrete around the spring, the work to be carried out to the satisfaction of Mr. Hardy.

#### **G.E. Champion lighting fire**

The Clerk reports that Ranger Hatchett informed him that on the 19th April he found a Mr. Champion and party picnicking on the Forest with a fire which they had lit in ignorance of the Bye Laws and which they immediately extinguished. The Clerk wrote to Mr. Champion presenting out the terms of the Bye Laws and collected from the penalty of 40/-.

#### **Rate**

Pursuant to directions given at the last meeting, the Clerk reports that the funds of the Conservancy are now exhausted, and having submitted an estimate of the expenditure for the current years amounting to £375, it is proposed by Sir Francis H. Champneys, seconded by Mr. William H. Abbey and unanimously resolved that a rate be made for defraying the expenses of the Conservators in the execution of their duties under the Award made under the provisions of the Inclosure Acts 1845 to 1878 and the Commons Regulations (Ashdown Forest) Provisional Order Confirmation Act 1885 to be levied on the respective owners of the rights of common upon Ashdown Forest at the rate of sixpence per acre in respect of their respective lands to which such rights attach, which owners and their respective acreages and the sums payable by them respectively are hereinafter set forth, namely:



Name	Address	Acreage	Amount £	s	d
Abbey, H.R.B. Esq.	Chelwood Corner, Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	92:1:0	2	6	6
Abbey, William Henry Esq.	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co., Lewes				
Abbey & Sons	Kemp Town Brewery, Seymour Street, Brighton	21:1:9	0	11	0
Allfrey, The Misses	Wilmshurst, Fletching	12:3:20	0	6	6
Allitt, Mr. Alfred	Boringwheel Mill Farm, Maresfield	23:3:23	0	12	0
Anderson, Mrs. J.N.	Horney Common, Maresfield	2	0	1	0
Appleby Mr. Herbert	Ivy Cottage, Fords Green, Nutley	1:1:34	0	1	0
Appleby Mr. Horace	Hadlow Down, Uckfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Arbuthnot, Miss Dorothy	Forest Lodge, Sharpthorne, East Grinstead	12:1:8	0	6	6
Arbuthnot W.R. Esq. Decd. The Repres, of		[blank]			
Ashdown Forest Hotel Ltd.	The Proprietors, Forest Row	0:2:30	0	0	6
Ashdown Forest Ladies Golf Club	The Secretary., Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Askew, Mrs. A.	Sharpthorne House, West Hoathly (late Cook)	5:1:4	0	3	0
Attfield, Mrs. E.C.	Farm Close, Maresfield	0:1:13	0	0	6
Angemer, Mss Elise	The Clock House, Nutley (late Vokins)	7:0:26	0	4	0
Avis, Mrs Jessie & others	North Lodge Laundry, Horney Common, Maresfield	9:2:23	0	5	0
Avis, Mr Obadiah	The Hollies, Fryars Gate, Withyham	1:2:0	0	1	0
Bailey, Mrs.	Gena, Forest Row	0:1:0	0	0	6
Baines, Miss Isobel	Sunnyside, Hartfield	0:1:16	0	0	6
Baker, Mr. Charles	Chelwood Common Dane Hill Uckfield	3		1	6
Baker Mr. Elias	Chelwood Common Dane Hill Uckfield	2	0	1	0
Baker Mr. William	Chelwood Gate, Uckfield	2	0	1	0
Baldwin, Mr.	Hartfield Road, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6

Thomas					
Ballard & Co. Messrs.	Southover, Lewes	2:2:0	0	1	6
Barchard, Misses. A.E. & E.E.	Campfield Rough. Fairwarp, Uckfield	1:0:15	0	1	0
Barclay, Mr. Frank	Duddleswell House, Fairwarp (late Ephraim Wood)	1:2:0	0	1	0
Bashford, Mr. George	Berlyn Farm, Quabrook< Forest Row	6:1:19	0	3	6
Beach, Mrs. J.N.	The Winal, Forest Row	2	0	1	0
Beamish, Admiral T.P.H. C.B. R.N.	Chelworth, Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	57:1:17	1	9	0
Beckwith, Mrs S.H.	“Pilton”, Chapel Lane, Forest Row (late Mrs. Bond)	0:0:20	0	0	6
Belfield, Mr. A.	Vale Cottage, Chelwood Gate, nr East Grinstead (late Box)	3	0	1	6
Belisha, Albert Isaac Esq.	Pixton Hill Farm, Forest Row (late Peacock)	24	0	12	0
Bellairs, A.E. Esq.	Stone House, Forest Row	[blank]	0	0	6
Bennett, Mr. George	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	0:2:4	0	0	6
Bennett, Mr. J.	Furners Green, Dane Hill, Uckfield	2	0	1	0
Best, Mr. A.	Dodds Bank, Nutley	21:0:21	0	11	0
Best, Mr. Enoch	Horney Common, Maresfield	0:1:14	0	0	6
Birch, Col. Edward M. C.B., D.S.O.	13 Moorpark Avenue, Preston	1:1:6	0	1	0
Birch, Fredk. Peregrine Esq., The Repres. of	C/o Richard Epps Esq., 149 ST. John's Road, Tunbridge Wells	3:3:12	0	2	0
Bishop, Mr. Samuel & Son	Forest Row	1:1:0	0	1	0
Blackie, Alfred Esq.	Ulverstone, Marden Hill, Crowborough	2:0:0	0	1	0
Bond, Major W.C. OBE	Shalesbrook, Forest Row  (late May & others)  (late Seymour)	3:2:26  2:1:16  0:1:0			
Boulton & Dickins, Misses	Forest Row	1:0:0	0	0	6

Branston, Mr.	Near Lampool, Maresfield (late Sullivan)	4:1:0	0	4	0
	Late Cottingham & Parris	3:0:29			
Branwell, Charles Esq.	Bank Farm House, Chapel Lane, Forest Row (late Lewis)	1:2:0	0	1	0
Bridgwater, Miss	Hook Cottage, Forest Row	1:0:0	0	0	6
Brown, Mr. Alfred	Bank Farm Cottage, Forest Row	0:2:39	0	0	6
Brown, Mr. Alfred J.	Maresfield	22:3:39	0	11	6
Brown, Mr. Edward	22, Maresfield	0:0:39	0	0	6
Brown, Mr. F.G.A.	Maresfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Browning Mr. William	Chelwood Common Dane Hill Uckfield	9:2:0	0	5	0
Bull, The Reverend R.A.	St Andrews, Forest Row	36:1:20	0	18	6
Burdett, Mr. Jesse	Hill Top Cottage, Nutley (late H. Sprott)	1:1:13	0	1	6
		1:1:10			
Burgess, Mr. Edward The Administrators of	c/o Mr. E.C. Burgess, 34 ***** Road, Upper Tooting, London SW17	6:3:4	0	3	6
Burns, Mrs. Clementine	Andrews Bank, Colemans Hatch	3	0	1	6
Burns, L.B. Esq.	Sandhurst Cottage, Hartfield	5:0:14	0	3	0
Campbell, Mr. & Mrs. John	Courtlands, Nutley (late Kenward)	39:2:1	1	0	0
Carbutt, Mrs	Parrock Wood Cottage, Colemans Hatch (late Raven)	0:3:5	0	0	6
Card, Mr. Abraham	Tompsetts Bank, Forest Row	1	0	0	6
Card, Mr. James	Shalesbrook Farm Forest Row	8	0	4	0
			0		0
Carey, Wilfred Hardacre Esq.	Broomer Cottage, Forest Row	1	0	0	6
Carr, Mr. Henry	Fords Green, Nutley	0:2:0	0	0	6
Carr, Mr. William decd, The Repres. of	Coffee Hall, Nutley	0:0:28	0	0	6
Carter, Mr. A.E.	Old Forge Lane, Horney Common, Uckfield	3	0	1	6

Carver, Percy. W. Esq.	Courtlands, Sharpthorne, East Grinstead (late Cohen)	136:1:20	3	8	6
Castle Stewart, The Rt. Hon Earl of	Old Lodge, Nutley (late R. Kenward)	23:0:7 4:1:0	0	14	0
Castle Stewart, Countess	Old Lodge, Nutley	11:1:30	0	6	0
Champneys, Sir F.H. Bart	Littlemead, Nutley	7:3:0	0	4	0
Chaplin, Mr. James	Upper Morgans Farm, Piltdown, nr. Uckfield	19:0:10	0	10	0
Chapman, Fitzroy Keith Esq.	c/o A Martin French Esq., Bond St House, 14 Clifford St., W1	8:1:28	0	4	6
Chatfield, Mr. Albert Hy.	Holly Farm, Piltdown (late W.H. Abbey)	1:3:0	0	1	0
Chilton, Mr. Alfred	144 High Street, Uckfield (late M.P. Estate)	3:1:30	0	2	0
Clarke Stephenson, Ralph;  Clarke, Chas Bridges Orme,	C/o Daniel Watney & sons  4a Frederick's Place, Old Jewry, EC2	190:1:13  408:1:7	4  10	15  4	6  0
Clarke, John P. Stephenson	Broadhurst Manor, Horsted Keynes (late C.B.C. Clarke)	187	4	13	0
Clough, A.H. Esq.	C/o J.T. Marriott Esq., Estate Office, Brockenhurst, Hants  (late Cottingham & Parris)  (late Russell & Harding)	392:1:24  13:0:30  5:0:10	9	16	6
Coffin, Clifford Esq.	Lama House, Forest Row (late Ma****)	2:0:36	0	1	6
Collier, Sir George	Water Farm, Colemans Hatch (admitted 27/2/27)	4:2:26	0	2	6
Collingwood, Horatio Nelson Esq.	Ryst Wood House, Forest Row (late May & others)	4:1:32	0	2	6
Colville, Admiral The Hon Sir Stanley	Pixton, Forest Row	38:2:34	0	19	6
Combe, Lt. Col. Herbert	Parrock Wood, Colemans Hatch	12	0	6	0
Constable, Mrs. Lucy S.	Fords Bank, Horney Common, Uckfield	2:2:28	0	1	6

Corbett, Chas. Henry Esq.	Woodgate, Dane Hill Park Uckfield	248:1:24	6	4	6
Cottington, Mr. George	Reedings Farm, Maresfield  (late Cottingham & Parris)	56:1:5  9:2:2	2	8	0
Cottington, Mr. W. Hy.	Streetfield Farm	37:3:17	0	19	0
Cottington, Mr. W. H & Parris, Chas J. Esq.	c/o C.J. Parris Esq., 67 High Street, Tunbridge Wells	3:1:25	0	2	0
Cottington, Mr. L.E.	Nutley, Uckfield	0:2:0	0	1	0
Cottington, Mr. W	Craven Bridge Farm, South Common, Chailey	3:1:10	0	2	0
Coupland, Richard	c/o Westminster Bank Ltd., Lothbury, EC2	1:0:20	0	1	0
Cowan, Sir W.H. Bart.	Crows Nest, Fairwarp  Barnsden etc.	6:2:20  88:0:26	2	7	6
Crease, Edmund M. Esq.	Broomhill, Crowborough (late Follett)	5	0	2	6
Crowhurst, Mrs. Wm. Senr.	Graddocks, Hartfield (late Walters)	0:1:13	0	0	6
Cruttenden, Mr. C.H.	122 High Street, Uckfield	2:1:28	0	1	6
Curd, Mr. E.A.	Millbrook, Nutley	10	0	5	0
Curtis, Mrs. E.M.	Alton House, Redhill, Surrey	16	0	8	0
Dadswell, Mr. R.	C/o Miss Fullegar & H. Watson, Ballards Hill, Goudhurst, Kent	1	0	0	6
Daniel, Arthur Harvey Esq.	(late Maresfield Park Estate)	73:0:23	1	19	6
Darwin, Major Leonard R.E.	12 Egerton Place, London SW 3	33:2:0	0	17	0
Dashwood, Mrs. Annie	Twyford, Nutley (formerly Mackwood)	1	0	0	6
Davies, Commander Richard V.C. R.N. D.S.O.	Wallhatch, Forest Row	2:2:0	0	1	0
Davis, Mr. J.S.	Redcot, Fairwarp, Uckfield	7:2:16	0	4	0
Dawson, Mr.	Selbourne 452 Upper Richmond Road, London SW15	0:2:8	0	0	6

Day, Mrs. R.	The Wincel, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Denman, Mrs. E.H.	Upper Totease, Buxted (main Lodge, Maresfield Park late)	3	0	0	6
Dennett. Mr. John	Piltdown Nursery, Uckfield	9:3:8	0	5	0
Denny, Colonel	Danehill, Uckfield (late Robinson)	0:1:0	0	0	6
Dodd, Mrs.	C/o Mr George T. Martin, Forest Row	1:0:0	0	0	6
Douglas, Miss Charlotte Amy	5a Hartfield Road, Eastbourne	0:2:1	0	0	6
Dowson, Hugh Emerson, Esq.	Landhurst Wood, Hartfield,	8:0:24	0	4	6
Duckworth, Geo. H. Esq.	Dalingridge Place, East Grinstead	61:3:23	1	11	0
Du Croz, Charles Grant Esq. decd. The Repres of	Court Lands West Hoathly E. Grinstead	55:2:0	1	8	0
Dym, Mr. B.	Moorlands, Withyham (late Mrs. Hoath)	4	0	2	0
Eason, E. Hy Physick Esq.	192 Bishopsgate, London EC2	1:1:8	0	1	0
East Grinstead Gas & Water Co.	East Grinstead	1:3:0	0	1	0
East Sussex County Council	The County Accountant, County Hall, Lewes (late Ephraim Wood)	83:1:13 0:1:0	2	2	0
Eckstein Frederick Esq.	C/o C. Bush Esq., 1 London Wall Buildings, EC2	285	7	2	6
Eden, A.F. Esq.	The Crossways, Hartfield	5:3:32	0	3	0
Edwards, Mrs. H.A.	Shawhurst Farm, Hartfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Edwards, Mrs Marion	Dewy Cottage, Cormongers Farm, South Nutfield, Redhill (late Cottingham & Parris)	7:2:2	0	4	0
Edwards, Mrs. Richard	Rutledges, Hartfield (late Wallace)	1:2:32	0	1	0
Elliott, Mr. George	Harts Farm, Colemans Hatch	3	0	1	6
Erith, Arthur Esq.	Ashdown House, Forest Row	32	0	16	0
Faber, Alfred Esq.	Offerton, Forest Row, East Grinstead	3:0:16	0	2	0
Farmer, Mr. H.W.	Nutley	0:2:0	0	0	6
Ffolliett Esq.	9 Montague Gardens, Tunbridge Wells	26:8:8	0	13	6
Fooks, Philip	St Meddens, St Paul's Cray Road, Chislehurst	1:3:0	1	4	6

Edward B. Esq.	(late Maresfield Park Estate)	47:0:26			
Forrester (Miss) Fanny	(late Maresfield Park Estate)	6:1:24	0	3	6
Freeland, Mr. P.H.	Nutley, Uckfield	2:3:0	0	1	6
Freshfield, Douglas, W. Esq.	Wych Cross Place, Forest Row	262:1:15	6	11	6
Friend, Messrs, J. & H.	Wall Hill Farm, Forest Row	43	1	1	6
Fuller Miss  Millicent	Vaughans Fletching Uckfield	10	0	5	0
Funnell, Mr. Trayton	Oakhouse Farm, Dane Hill, Sussex	18:1:13	0	9	6
Furneaux, Sidney H. Esq.	Pound Gate Lodge, Crowborough	2:2:0	0	1	6
Fyfe, Miss Alice	Homesdale, Grove Park, Lee S.E.	5	0	2	6
Gasson Mrs. Agnes	Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	3:2:0	0	2	0
Gasson, Mr. Thomas	Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	0:2:32	0	0	6
Gibb, Esq.	Putlands, Fairwarp	11:3:20	0	6	0
	(late Ephraim Wood)	7:1:16	0	4	0
Gillham, Mr. E.J.	Nutley	0:2:0	0	0	6
Gleichen, Major General Lord Edward	Court-in-Holmes, Forest Row	20:0:0	0	10	0
Glover, Mrs. Maude	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	0:0:25	0	0	6
Godfrey, William Esq.	Mudbrooke Farm, Forest Row	103:3:10	2	12	6
Godley, The Rt. Hon. Hugh John	C/o The Rt. Hon. Lord Kilbracken, South Hartfield House, Colemans Hatch	65:2:26	1	13	0
Goldsmiths' Company		117:3:10	2	19	0
Gordon, Mrs. Dora H.	Domaha, Forest Row East Grinstead	5:1:36	0	3	0
Grover, Mr. Bernard	Nutley	5:2:13	0	3	0
Grover, Mr. Percy Alwyn	Grovers Farm, Piltdown, nr. Uckfield	4:2:0	0	2	6

Gwilham Mrs Alice Edith	Lower Parrock, Hartfield	91:30	2	6	0
Hale Miss F.A.	c/o Messrs. Turner, Rudge & Turner. East Grinstead				
Halsey, W.H. Esq.	Hillside, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	1:0:29	0	1	0
Hambro, R.O. Esq.	Kidbrooke Park, Forest Row	150	3	15	0
Hambro, Capt.	Kidbrooke Park, Forest Row	92:0:28	2	6	6
Hardinge, The Rt. Hon. Sir A.H. GCMG, KCB	Cold Harbour, Forest Row, Sussex	5:3:19	0	3	0
Hardy, H.R.	Danehurst Estate Office, Horsted Keynes	256:3:35	6	8	0
Harman, Mr. G.	Butcher, East Grinstead	496:1:16	12	8	6
Harmsworth, Vyvyan G. Esq.	c/o W.H. Holden Esq., Valley Holme, Horsted Keynes, Sussex	60:0:18	1	10	6
Harrison, Mrs. Maud	Spyways, Hartfield (late Dr. Willett)	5	0	2	6
Harvey, Mrs Katharine	Huranda" Hartfield (late Young)	9:3:20	0	5	0
Haslam, George D. Esq.	Danehurst, Uckfield (late Messel)	44:2:35	1	2	6
Hayllar, Frank H. Esq.	41 Marlborough Place, Brighton (late W.H. Abbey)	6:2:28	0	3	6
Hazelden, Mr. Joseph	Toll Farm, Fairwarp (late Mrs. Harding)	1	0	0	6
Head, F.H.	Goldstrow, Piltdown, Uckfield	10	0	5	0
Head, Mr. John decd. The Repres. of	C/o Mrs. S. Agnes Head, Mount Pleasant, Ashurst Wood, East Grinstead	49:3:2	1	5	0
Heasman Mrs. C., Heasman, Sarah and Heasman, Isabella	c/o Mrs. Isabella Heasman, Stone Cottage, Friars Gate, Withyham	2:2:0	0	1	6
Heasman, Mr. Christopher decd, the Exors of	c/o Mrs. C. Heasman, Inholmes Farm, Colemans Hatch	3:2:20	0	2	0
Heasman, Mr. Philip	The Homestead, Friars Gate, Sussex Late Willis before Thos. Ashdown	2 1:2:0	0	2	0
Heasman Mr.	Little Furnace Farm, Colemans Hatch	3	0	1	6



William					
Heath, Miss Daisy	Forest Row (late Mrs. Hunt)	0:2:0	0	0	6
Heath, Mr. Joseph Benjamin	Hamilton Terrace, Forest Row	3	0	1	6
Heathcote Smith C.E. Esq.	c/o T.H. Hayllar Esq., 41 Marlborough Place, Brighton (late W.H. Abbey)	3:3:34	0	2	0
Hemsley, Mr. Thomas	102 Framfield Road, Uckfield	0:1:19	0	0	6
Hemsley, Mr. William	Isfield Mill, Isfield	0:1:0	0	0	6
Henriques, J. Q. Esq.	1 Paper Buildings, Temple, London EC4	6:2:13	0	3	6
Henry, Mrs.	The Laurels, Nutley	0:0:3	0	0	6
Hill, Mr. W.H.	Poplar Farm, Herons Ghyll nr. Uckfield	0:2:0	0	1	0
Hoare, Alfred	37 Fleet St. London E.C	101	2	10	6
Hoath, Mrs. Amos	Moor Farm, St John's, Crowborough	1	0	0	6
Hobbs, Mr. D.E.	Blackven Farm, Horney Common, Uckfield	14:1:5	0	7	6
Hobbs, Mr. James	Blackven Farm, Horney Common, Uckfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Hollamby, Mr. J.	Sillwood Place, Forest Row	0:0:11	0	0	6
Hollamby, Mr. W.	Forest Row	0:0:16	0	0	6
Hope, James F. Esq. M.P.	C/o Messrs. Powell & Co., Lewes	520:3:0	13	0	6
Hopkins, W.J.	Lampool Road, Fairwarp (late Russell)	3	0	1	6
Horgan, Mr. Edmund A.	Sunnyside, Maresfield	6:3:39	0	3	6
Horscraft, Mr. Thomas	Nutley	0:1:0	0	0	6
Hounsom Wm. Allin Esq.	41 New Church Road, Brighton	28	0	14	0
Hudson, Mr. James	Smithy Cottage, Colemans Hatch	0:3:0	0	0	6
Ince, Revd. J.B.C.	The Vicarage, Fairwarp, Uckfield	1	0	0	6
Izzard, Mr. William	Sunnyside, New Road, Beeding, Sussex	1	0	0	6
Jackson, Mr. Arthur	Forest Row	0:0:20	0	0	6
Jenkins, Mr. Alfred J.	Maresfield	1:2:2	0	1	0

Jenner & Brown, Messrs.	Oast House Cottages, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Johnson, W. Claud Esq.	Broadstone, Colemans Hatch	13:2:26	0	7	06
Jordan, Mr. Albert	High Street, Maresfield	0:1:0	0	0	6
Keeling, Mr. John	Fort Lee, Newick (late Hayllar)	0:2:24	0	0	6
Kennard, Lt. Col. A.C.H.	Courtmead, Forest Row	3:1:0	0	2	0
Kent, Sir Stephenson KCB	The Secretary, Chapelwood Manor, Nutley	322:1:31	8	1	6
Kenward, Mr. Edward	Budletts, Maresfield	2	0	1	0
Kenward, Mrs. J.	Piltdown, Uckfield	100:0:0	2	10	0
Kenward, Mr. Robert	Little Sharpe, Piltdown, Uckfield	74	1	17	0
Kerr Trefusis, Mrs	35 Portland Place, London W1. Corrected area	5:2:0	0	3	0
Killick Mr. S.	The Barn, Hartfield	0:1:0	0	0	6
Kindersley, Sir R.S.	15 Charles Street, Berkeley Square W1	92	2	6	0
King, Cyril A. Esq.	Twitten Hatch, Turner's Green, Uckfield	3:0:36	0	4	6
Kingsford, John Esq.	Ryst Wood Lodge, Forest Row (late May & others)	4:2:30	0	2	6
Kirby, Mr. Ernest	Fords Green, Nutley	0:0:21	0	0	6
Kirby, Mr. & Mrs. Geo.	Horney Common, Maresfield	1:0:0	0	0	6
Kirby, Mr. Herbert	Fords Green, Nutley	0:1:0	0	0	6
Lack, Dr.	Brown House, Forest Row	1:1:29	0	1	0
Lambert, G.N. Esq.	53 Fairfield Rd., Saxmundham, Suffolk	4:2:0	0	2	6
Langridge, Mr. Enoch	Dane Hill, Uckfield	1:2:0	0	1	0
Lapage, Dr.	Forest Row	1	0	0	6
Larnach- Nevill, Mrs.	C/o Stanley Pott Esq., Brambletye Estate Office, East Grinstead	361:0:30	9	1	0
Last, W. Courthope Esq.	The Pond Cottage, Hartfield (late Robinson)	11:3:34	0	6	0
Lawrence, Sir Walter Bart.	Runces Farm, Birch Grove, East Grinstead)	2:1:26	0	1	6

Legsheath Farm Ltd.	The Secretary, 34 Nicholas Lane, Lombard Street EC1	70:2:22	1	15	6
Leeland-White M.J. Esq.	Stonehouse Farm, Forest Row (late Hyde)	33:2:0	0	17	0
Linshill, Mr. T.H.	Builder, Crowborough Road, Nutley	6:1:12	0	3	6
Loftus, Lt. Col. Douglas	Nutley Court, Nutley	18:2:5	0	9	6
Lomax, Miss Alice	Heather View, Fairwarp (late Cottingham & Parris)	1 13:3:13	0	7	6
Longley, Mr. C. decd repres of	Oakhurst, Golf Road, Forest Row	0:1:1	0	0	6
Longley, Mr. C. J.	Ruthcote, Crawley, Sussex	[blank]			
Longley & Waters, Messrs.	Forest Row	40:1:10	1	0	6
Lucas, Mrs. Alice	Bramblehurst, Ashurst Wood, East Grinstead	43:0:6	1	2	0
Lucas, F. R. Esq.	Streeters Rough, Chelwood Gate, Uckfield	29:1:13	0	15	0
Lumsden, Robert Jas. Esq.	Wretham Lodge, Forest Row (corrected area)	5:2:0	0	3	0
Macmillan, Harold Esq.	Birch Grove House, nr. East Grinstead	57:1:11	1	9	0
Madden, Lady	Broadstone, Forest Row	3:8:20	0	2	0
Manners, Mrs. J. T.	Bankside, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5	0	2	6
Mansbridge, Mr. James	Spring View, Forest Row	0:0:20	0	0	6
Marchant, Mr. Thomas	Cackle Street, Maresfield	5	0	2	6
Maresfield, The Rector of (The Rev. A.C. Ryder)	The Rectory, Maresfield (by agreement)	3:3:3	0	2	0
Maresfield Village Hall	The Secretary, Maresfield (Village Hall)	0:0:3	0	0	6
Marriott, Mr & Miss Cordelia Isabella.	c/o Messrs. Hasties, 65 Lincolns Inn Field, W.C	65:0:17	1	13	0
Marsden, James.	Hurst Wood House, Hurst Wood, Buxted	3:2:0	0	2	0
Marsh, Mr. Wm. Chas	Lower Morgans Farm, Piltdown nr. Uckfield	16:0:3	0	8	6

Marsh, Sidney	46 ***** St, SE17	8:3:19			
Marshall, Rev. Douglas Hamilton	Ovingdean Hall, Ovingdean, Brighton (late May & others)	0:3:11	0	0	6
Martin, Alfred	Coach & Horses, Dane Hill, Uckfield	4:1:0	0	2	6
Martin, Edward	Woodcote, Forest Row	1:1:28	0	1	0
Martin, Mr. Frederick	Coach & Horses, Dane Hill, Uckfield	4	0	2	0
Maryon-Wilson, Geo. M. Esq.	Searles, Fletching, Uckfield	1214:3:26	30	7	6
Mashette, Esq.	Dennis Cross, Hook Heath, Woking	5	0	2	6
May, Paul Stanley Esq. & others.	C/o Messrs Finnis Downey Linnell & Chessher, 5 Clifford Street, London	5:2:39	0	3	0
Maynard, Edward F. Esq. M.P.	14 Salisbury Road, Hove (late M.P. Estate)	0:1:24	0	0	6
McLachlan, J.M. Esq.	Forest Lodge, Horney Common, Uckfield	16:1:5	0	8	6
Meua, H.E. Esq.	29 Lamb Street, EC	4:2:16	0	2	6
Miles, Mrs. C.A.	Kingsdown Farm, Burwash Common, Sussex	1	0	0	6
Miles, Mr. Henry	Pitlands Farm, Hartfield	4:1:13	0	2	6
Miles, Mrs. L.A.G.	Danehill, Uckfield	15:3:26	0	8	0
Miller, Mr. Joseph	The Barracks, Maresfield	1:0:17	0	1	0
Miller, Lt. Col. G.R.	Prickets Hatch, Nutley	33:0:36	0	17	0
Mitchell, Mr. Alfred	Brook Cottage, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Mitchell, Mr. Frank	Nutley	0:2:0	0	0	6
Mitchell, Mr. William & Eliza Brett	Roebuck Farm, Wych Cross, Forest Row	1:1:0	0	1	0
		0:1:10	0	0	6
Morrice, Norman	65 Gresham House, Old Broad Street, London EC2	1:1:24	0	1	0
Morris, Major	Fire Brigade HQ Southwark Bridge Road, London SE1 (late Arthur Taylor)	6:1:31	0	3	6
Morris, Miss J.V.	Bracklay Cottage, Fairwarp. Uckfield	18:1:26	0	9	6
	Ditto (late Maresfield Park Estate)				
Needham, Col. Charles	Tylehurst, Forest Row	58	1	9	0
Neild, Dr.	Shaw Cottage, Hartfield	[blank]			

Nettlefold, Frederick John	C/o Messrs Turner, Rudge & Turner, East Grinstead  (late Osborne)	5:2:24  49:0:24	1	7	6
Noble, Percy G. Esq.	36 Oakhill Road, East Putney SW15 (late Young)	18:2:0	0	9	6
Norman, Mr. Henry The Repres. of	Fairwarp	6	0	3	0
Oldham, Miss H.	Graystone, Crowborough	5:2:0	0	3	0
Osborne, Mr. Albert	Oaklands, Duddleswell, Maresfield	0:3:15	0	0	6
Osborne. Mr. George	Church Cottage, Nutley	2:2:0	0	1	6
Osborne, Mrs. Mahala	Duddleswell, Fairwarp	4:0:11	0	2	6
Osborne, Mr. Thomas and Harriet his wife	Nutley, Uckfield	17  12:2:0	0	15	0
Osborne, Mr. William and Elizabeth his wife	Foresters Arms, Fairwarp, Uckfield,	14:2:0  15:2:18	0	15	6
Owen, Jas. L. Esq.	C/o Messrs. Turner, Rudge & Turner	312:2:20	7	16	6
Oxley, William	33 Queens Road, Tunbridge Wells	28:1:8	0	14	6
Parry, Miss E.C.	Dodds Grove, Nutley	9:2:10	0	5	0
Parsons, Miss Muriel	Mouse Hole, Forest Row, Sussex	1:2:19	0	1	0
Pearless, Sydney H. Esq.	Fairlight Farm, East Grinstead	140:0:0	3	10	0
Penfold, Mr Harry.	Lisburne, Nutley	18:3:33	0	9	6
Penfold, Mr. John B.	Newlands Cottage, Horney Common	0:3:0	0	0	6
Penfold, Mr. Joseph	17 Church Street, Maresfield	0:1:14	0	0	6
Penfold, Mrs. Julia Sarah	Horney Common, Maresfield	2:2:0	0	1	6
Philcox, Mr. George	Portobello, Colemans Hatch	2:2:0	0	1	6
Phillips, Mrs.	The Green, Forest Row	0:1:0	0	0	6
Phillips The Rev.	The Vicarage, Nutley	4	0	2	0

J.S. MA					
Phillis, Mrs.	Ashdown Cottage, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Piltdown Golf Club	The Hon. Secretary, Piltdown Common, Uckfield	8:2:22	0	5	0
Place, Thomas Esq.	[blank]				
Playford, Miss Agnes	Harlie, Forest Row	0:0:16	0	0	6
Portman, the Hon. Henry Oakeley	C/o Messrs. Powell & Co., Lewes (l	212:0:18	5	6	6
Pryce, Mrs. Margaret	Spring Mead, Forest Row (late Shute)	1	0	0	6
Ralph, Mr. W.H.	30 Purley Oaks Road, Sanderstead, S. Croydon, Surrey (late Cottingham & Ferris)	3	0	1	6
Rawlings, G.H. Esq.	Little Denstone, Forest Row	28	0	14	0
Raymond, T.	“Yew Hedge”, Forest Row (late Horne)	0:2:0	0	0	6
Reed, Mrs Emma	Bank Cottage, Forest Row	2:2:0	0	1	6
Reed, Mr. Henry	Rock Bungalow, Old Forge, Horney Common, Uckfield (amended area)	1:0:0	0	0	6
Ridley, Mr. A.J.	Horney Common, Maresfield	1	0	0	6
Ridley, Mr. Alvey J.	Nether Farm, Nutley (late R. Kenward)	1:2:21	0	1	6
Ridley, Mr. F.T.	Nutley	0:0:15	0	0	6
Ridley, Mr. Harry	Near Church, Cowden, Edenbridge	0:1:8	0	0	6
Ridley, Mr. Henry	Nutley	0:1:32	0	0	6
Ridley, Miss F.R.	Pt. Forest Lodge	2:3:0	0	1	6
Ridley, Mr. H.J.	Whitehouse Farm, Horney Common				
Ridley, Mrs. Lucy Rose	Whitehouse Farm, Horney Common	19:2:26	0	10	0
Ridley, Miss Rose	Whitehouse Farm, Horney Common	1:3:38	0	1	0
Ridley, Mr. Spencer	Millbrook, Nutley	12:2:0	0	6	6
Ridley, Mr. Sylvanus	Nutley, Uckfield	26:0:6	0	13	6
Riley, Mrs.	Nutley	3:1:28	0	2	0
Roberts, H.	Lauriston, Danehill, Uckfield	11:0:0	0	5	6
Rogers, Miss Edith	Romany Cottage, Fairwarp (claim admitted	0:2:24	0	0	6

C.	14/12/27)				
Rowe, John Esq.	R.A.F. Golf Club, Forest Row	0:1:13	0	0	6
Rumbold, Miss Katharine	Yew Tree Hall. Forest Row	4:2:0	0	2	6
Salcombe, Mr. William	Bridge Hotel, Uckfield				
Sargeant, Mrs.	Newport. De La Warr Road, East Grinstead	1	0	0	6
Saunders, Mr. Harry  Saunders, Mrs. Harry	Hawthorn, Forest Row,	0:1:3  0:1:0	0	1	0
Saunders, P. Gordon	6 Mount Street, Grosvenor Square W1	2:3:9	0	1	6
Saville, Miss & Sturdy, Miss	Shepherds Gate, Colemans Hatch	5:1:0	0	3	0
Sayers, Mr. Thos.	Post Office, Forest Row,	0:1:0	0	0	6
Sclater, Rev. J.S.	The Manor House, Newick, Lewes	69:0:14	1	15	0
Scott, Mr. Alfred James	Putlands Farm, Duddleswell (late Mrs. Harding)	0:2:0	0	0	6
Scott, Mrs. Hannah	Duddleswell, Uckfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Scilie, Mrs Holmes	Nutley (late Arthur Wickham)	1	0	0	6
Sewell, Miss & Meyes, Miss Katherine	Solvane, Birch Grove, East Grinstead (late De Lutteshaw & Meyer)	6:3:1	0	3	6
Shakerley Ackers, G.H. Esq.	Moreton Hall, Duddleswell, Uckfield	12:0:0	0	6	0
Shawcross, Mr. John	Duddleswell, Fairwarp, Uckfield (late Ephraim Wood)	1	0	0	6
Shelford, W.H. Esq.	Horncastle, E. Grinstead	22:2:26	0	11	6
Shepherd, S.D. Esq.	Claypit Farm, Colemans Hatch	[blank]			
Shoebridge, Mr. Thomas	Nutley	11:0:24	0	6	0
Simmonds, Mrs.	Lampool Corner, Maresfield (late Cottingham & Parris)	1	0	0	6
Sinclair, Mr. George	Hazel Cottage, Dormans Land, Lingfield, Surrey	0:1:0	0	0	6

Sinclair, Capt.	Victoria Villas, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	0:0:21	0	0	6
Sinden, Mr. Reginald	Cherry Orchard, Browns Brook, Fairwarp	9:2:0	0	5	0
Skinner, Sir Sydney	West Watch, Birch Grove, East Grinstead	8	0	4	0
Smallwood, J.E. Esq.	20 Blatchington Road, Hove	1:0:0	0	0	6
Smith, A. Russell Esq.	Holly Grange, Forest Row	4:0:16	0	2	6
Smith, H.C. Esq.	16 Mincing Lane, London EC3	36:3:35	0	18	6
Snelgrove, John Sidney Esq.	The Plottage, Forest Row	18:2:0	0	9	6
Soames, Arthur Gilstrap Esq.	c/o John Edward Eggleton Esq., Estate Office, Sheffield Park, Uckfield	950:0:10	23	15	6
Sprott, Frank Walter Esq.	Mayfield, Sussex	7:0:34	0	4	0
Sprott Herbert Esq. & Hart, George E. Esq.	c/o Herbert Sprott, Esq., Solicitor, Crowborough	21:0:14	0	11	0
Stephens, Mr. Nelson G.	Marlpits, Nutley	3	0	1	6
Sterling, Miss F.M.	Home Wood, Hartfield	5:2:0	0	3	0
Stevenson, Mr. Frank	Little Shelf, Nutley	1:0:0	0	0	6
Stevenson, Mrs. Mary Ann	Collingford, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5:2:0	0	3	0
Stevenson, Mr. Richard	The Shaw, Nutley (late Sprott, H.)	5:2:21 4:0:1	0	5	0
Stevenson, Mr. Stephen	Little Shelf, Nutley	11:1:13	0	6	0
Stevenson, Mr. W.H.	Claypit Cottage, Nutley	1	0	0	6
Stoner, Mr. T.J.	27 Firle Road, Eastbourne	4:2:1	0	2	6
Streatfeild, R.J. Esq.	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co. Lewes	107:1:5	2	14	0
Streeter, Mr. William	Lower Whitehouse Farm, Horney Common, Uckfield (late Rush)	13:2:0	0	7	0
Stuart, Mr.	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield (late Mrs. Miles)	1:0:0	0	0	6
Swann, Edw. Arthur Esq.	The Grove, Woodhurst Road, Oxted,	2:0:24	0	1	6



Sydenham, Dr. Geo. Mervyn	Chelwood Common, Uckfield	1	0	0	6
Tamplin & Sons Brewery Brighton Ltd	Phoenix Brewery, Brighton	8:2:0	0	4	6
Taylor Mr. George	Old Workhouse, Fairwarp, Uckfield	10	0	5	0
Taylor, Mr. James	3 Fairview Cottages, 58 St John's Road Crowborough	0:1:16	0	0	6
Taylor, Mrs. John	Nutley	0:1:0	0	0	6
Taylor, Mrs. John	Henley House, Uckfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Taylor, Mr. Thomas	Hartfield Road, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Taylor, Mrs.	St James Road, East Grinstead	0:1:0	0	0	6
Tester, Mr. Frederick	Maresfield	0:1:25	0	0	6
Thomas, G.H. Esq.	Oakcroft, Hartfield, Tunbridge Wells	2:0:38	0	1	6
Thornton, The Hon. M.A.	103 Ebury Street, SW1	5:2:	0	3	0
Tomlins, E. Frazer Esq.	83 Furnival Street, London EC4	7:0:24	0	4	0
Tomsett, Mr.	Tompsetts Bank, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Tosetti, M.A. Esq.	Cookhams, Horsted Keynes	34:0:0	0	17	0
Tull-Hart Thos.	4 Gloucester Place, Brighton (late Hayllar)	4:2:17	0	2	6
Turner Albert Esq. Decd The repres of; Turner, Alfred	c/o Albert Turner Esq., Holme, Lewes	30	0	15	0
Turner Mr Edward	Walnut Tree Inn, Brenchley	1	0	0	6
Turner, Mr. George	Stone Hill Farm, Nutley	2:0:38	0	1	6
Turner. Mr. Nelson	Nutley	3:1:24 3	0	2	0
Turner Mrs. William	Nutley	1	0	0	6
Tyler, Mr. Allen	Horney Common, Uckfield	10:1:0	0	2	6
Tyler Mr. Albert Henry	Horney Common, Uckfield	5:3:0	0	3	0
Tyler Mr. Luther	Fairwarp	5:1:16	0	3	0
Underwood, Mrs.	Post Horn Lane, Forest Row	1	0	0	6

Frederick					
Upton, Mr. Edward	Maresfield	0:1:0	0	0	6
Verner, Mrs.	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	12	0	6	0
Wadsworth, Fanny	(late Maresfield Park Estate)	5:1:25	0	3	0
Walker, Miss Hester M.	C/o Messrs. Shain, Roscoe, Massey & Co., 8 Bedford Row, London, WC1	1:2:0	0	1	0
Wallace, Mrs.	Graddocks Farm, Hartfield	0:3:0	0	0	6
Waller, Major Robert L.	The Dairy House, Maresfield	8:3:13	0	4	6
Wallis Mrs Reginald.	The Forge, Rotherfield	2	0	1	0
Walls, Mrs Annie	The Castle, Hickstead, Burgess Hill, Sussex	4	0	2	0
Walsham, Mrs. Edith	Warrenside, Forest Row	2	0	1	0
Walter, Mr. Alfred	Fairwarp	1	0	0	6
Walter, Mrs. Ellen	Fairwarp	2	0	1	0
Walter Mr. John	Dodds Bank, Nutley	3	0	1	6
Waters Messrs Geoffrey	Burnt House Farm, Forest Row	46:2:0	1	3	6
Waters, Messrs. H. & E.	Highgate, Forest Row	4:3:36	1	11	6
Waters, Messrs. H. & E.	Highgate, Forest Row  Formerly Spencer  Formerly Luxford  Formerly Isaac Waters  Formerly W. Miles	23:3:11  33:1:12  1:2:0  0:1:0	1	9	6
Waters Mr. James	Forest Row	0:2:8	0	0	6
Watkins, Miss E.M.	“Walcot”, Walpole Road, Brighton	1:0:0	0	0	6
Weeding, Mr. Jesse	Low Cottage, Chuck Hatch, Hartfield (late Dan Weeding)	0:1:0	0	0	6
Weeks, Mr. Fredk Robt	Forest Hotel, Forest Row	0:3:20	0	0	6
Welfare Mr. William	Ocklye Farm, Withyham	3	0	1	6
Wheatley Mr.	Whitehouse Bank, Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	3	0	1	6

Charles					
Wheatley, Mr. Frederick	Colemans Hatch	0:2:0	0	0	6
Wheatley Mr. Henry	Nutley	0:1:0	0	0	6
Wheatley Mr. Joseph	Colemans Hatch	4	0	2	0
Wheatley Mr. William	Nutley	0:2:13	0	0	6
Wheeler Mr. Charles	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5	0	2	6
White, Mr	Norlington Villa, London Road, Burgess Hill	0:0:11	0	0	6
White, Mr. Samuel	Whitehill Cottage, Forest Row	0:1:0	0	0	6
Whitewood, Mr. Percy	Post Office, Nutley (late Mrs Whitewood)	2	0	1	6
Wickens Mr. Simeon	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	45:1:0	1	3	0
Wickens Mr. Spencer Snr.  Exors;	C/o Messrs. Hunt, Currey, Nicholson & Co., Lewes	15	0	7	6
Wickham, Mr. Charles A.	Maresfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Wickham, Mr. Humphrey	Pock Hill, Forest Row	7	0	3	6
Willett, Arnold T. Esq.	2 Little Dean's Yard, Westminster SW1	12:2:0	0	6	6
Williamson, Geo. F. Esq.	Ashdowne, Hartfield	5:0:15	0	3	0
Willock, Mrs.	Lampool Farm, Maresfield.	10:1:14	0	5	6
Wilmott, Mr.	Victoria Villas, Chapel Lane, Forest Row (late Knight)	0:0:21	0	0	6
Wilson Mr. Edward	Mount Pleasant, Oldlands, Maresfield. Uckfield	1	0	0	6
Wilson, Mrs. B.	Summerford, Fairwarp (late Fellows)	4	0	2	0
Wood, Mrs. E.M.	The Hollies, 9 Bennett Park, Blackheath, SE	30:3:0	0	15	6
Wood, Mr. Frederick	Fair Place Farm, Nutley (late Wilson)	26:2:5	0	13	6
Wood, Mr. H.	Nutley	0:1:19	0	0	6

Wood, Mr. Jesse decd. The Repres of	C/o Messrs. Turner & Jones., Solicitors, East Grinstead	11:2:0	0	6	0
Young, Miss Florence, the Exors of	Bix Cottage, Maresfield	0:1:25	0	0	6

### **Licence Granted By Rangers**

The Ranger lays on the table the particulars of licences for litter peat etc. granted by them during the year 1928.

### **Rangers' reports**

The Rangers' reports since the last meeting are then considered. They include a number of fires several of which extended into and did extensive damage to private properties, that they had removed several gypsies off the forest and in the case of each Ranger the detection of incendiaries caught in the act.

### **T. Burdett repair of road**

A letter is read from T. Burdett of Hill Top, Nutley, drawing attention to the condition of disrepair of the lane from Nutley Street to the windmill and inviting them to consider the matter of repairing it. It is resolved that Mr. Burdett be informed that the Board cannot see their way to do anything in the matter.

### **Rangers' application for increase of wages**

The Rangers having withdrawn the Clerk reads an application from them for an increase of wages owing to the larger amount of fires, parking of cars, picnic parties and gypsies.

### **Bonuses for fires**

The matter having been fully discussed it is resolved that the Board recognise their satisfactory services and especially their strenuous efforts in connection with the recent fires, and have great pleasure in awarding each of them a Present of £5 in respect of the fires, but that they cannot see their way to increase their wages.

The Rangers having been called into the Board Room, the Chairman informs them of the above decision.

It is Resolved that the Clerk pay the above present to Ranger Kirby out of the General Account, and to Ranger Hatchett out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

### **Rangers' cycles repairs**

Bills for repairs and necessities to and for the Rangers' motor cycles having been admitted for payment, are referred to Mr. Hardy to go into and instruct the Clerk as to payment.

Also charges in each case being for de-carbonising their machines. It is resolved that while these changes on the present occasion be paid by the Board the Rangers be informed that the Board will look to them in future to do the necessary de-carbonisation.

### **Financial statement**

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books which show the following balances in hand:

General Account	£75:18:9
2nd Ranger Account	£35:16:7
Pro & Imp Fund	£147:19:4

### **Cheques**

It is Resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:-

Kirby, Herbert	
13 Weeks Salary to 27th	£26:0:0
Do House Rent	£3:5:0?
Do Employers Insurance	£0:18:5

£30:3:5

Hatchett G W  
13 Weeks Salary to 27th  
Do Employers insurance

£26:0:0  
£0:18:5

£26:18:5

Creasey Son & Wickenden for 12 weeks rent  
Of Ranger Hatchett's house  
To 25th March last

£6:6:0

It is Resolved that the next meeting of this Board be held on such day and hour as the Chairman of this Board may appoint.

The Meeting terminated at 5.10 p.m.  
G.M. Maryon-Wilson  
Chairman

26th June 1929

A meeting of the Fire Committee duly convened and held at the Nutley Hotel on Wednesday the 26th June 1929 at 3 p.m.

Present

Mr Geo. M. Maryon-Wilson in the Chair  
Mr. D.W. Freshfield  
Mr. G.D. Haslam

Apologies for absence were read from Sir Stanley Colville and Mr. H.R. Hardy. The Clerk reported that C. Underwood was convicted at the East Sussex Quarter Sessions yesterday and was sentenced to 3 months imprisonment with hard labour.

Mr Freshfield's suggestion

Mr. Freshfield reads a report which he has prepared setting out what in his view are the causes of the present misunderstanding between the Board and Commoners. He advocates the following remedies, which are discussed in detail and it is Resolved that this Committee do recommend to the Board.

(a) As regards the relations between the Lord of the Manor and Commoners:-

1. That Lord De La Warr be requested to arrange for a representative to attend the meetings of the Board regularly on his behalf so as to bring the Lord of the Manor into direct contact with the Board as was the practice up to recent years.

2. That Lord De La Warr's sanction be asked to enable the Board to authorise the cutting of gorse at such seasons of the year and places as the Board may think necessary or advisable.

3. That his Lordship be informed that the Board will be glad if he can see his way to cut and remove the overgrown and dangerous gorse and burnt timber.

4. Licences. The Committee consider some simplification in procedure might be achieved if greater authority was conferred on the Rangers which would enable them to:

(a) grant licences for cutting safety zones round private properties

(b) grant licences for cutting brakes and litter at unusual seasons not authorised by the Bye Laws, and to persons other than Commoners

(c) grant licences for the temporary deposit of building or similar materials on payment of the customary acknowledgements.

(d) Co-operation with landowners and Commoners

The Committee in this connection have before them a letter from Lord Castle Stewart making suggestions with the view of a better understanding and co-operation with the Commoners for the holding of an annual lunch or dinner where discussion could take place for meeting all grievances by united counsel and action. Lord Castle Stewart offers to provide the first dinner.

It is Resolved that the Committee recommend that his Lordship be informed that while the Board fully appreciate the motives which actuated him in suggesting the proposed entertainment they cannot as a Board take any part in the proceedings ,and that if any steps are taken in this direction they must be on his own initiative.

The Committee also consider it desirable that they should instruct the Clerk to make special references in the appeal for the Second Ranger fund, to the fact that the only source of income available to the Board to meet their expenditure is the Forest Rate which provides a quite inadequate sum, further that if a sufficient response to the appeal for the 2nd Ranger Fund is forthcoming, the Board hope to take more extensive measures for the protection of the Forest.

P.O. Telephones

an application from the P.O. Engineering Department for the renewal of the consent to the placing of 24 poles between the Crow and Gate Crowborough and Duddleswell was granted.

Chairman

7th August 1929

A meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Hotel at Nutley on Wednesday the 7th August 1929 at 2.30 p.m.

Present

Mr. Geo. M. Maryon-Wilson in the Chair

Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B

Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart.

Col. Chas. Needham

Mr. W.H. Abbey

Mr. Jas. Card

Mr. D.W. Freshfield

Mr. Herbert R. Hardy

Mr. W. Mitchell

Mr. Thos. Osborne

A letter is read from Mr. Haslam regretting his inability to be present.

The Minutes of the last meeting are read and confirmed.

Rate

The Clerk reports that the Rate made at the last meeting has been approved by the Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries and is being collected.

F.B. Jarvis

Ranger Kirby reports that the water is being laid on to Miss Cooper Willis' house and as soon as this is done the pipe laid down by Mr. Jarvis will be removed, also that Mr. Jarvis has built up round the spring referred to at the last meeting.

Prosecution – Underwood

The Clerk reports that Cyril Underwood referred to at the last meeting was committed at the following Quarter Sessions and sentenced to three months with hard labour.

J Callaghan

And that James Callaghan was committed for trial to the Assizes and was sentenced by Mr. Justice Horridge to three months hard labour, but the Clerk is informed that the day after his conviction he was discharged from

Portsmouth gaol by order of the Judge and he reads a letter from Lord De La Warr's agent conveying his Lordship's sincere thanks for the vigorous action taken.

It is Resolved that the Clerk write to the Home Secretary a letter drafted by the Chairman enquiring upon what grounds Callaghan was released.

Refuse removal East Grinstead R.D.C.

A letter is read from the East Grinstead Rural District Council stating that steps are being taken to undertake the collection of house refuse throughout the whole of their Rural District.

Fire Committee

The fire Committee present the report of their meetings held on the 26th June last (see p 309 ante) which is read and it is Resolved that the report be received.

It is Resolved that the words "as was the practice up to recent years" be added at the end of paragraph A 1, and at the end of paragraph C the words "on payment of the customary acknowledgments".

Lord Castle Stewart's suggestions

Also that the consideration of the Committee's recommendation with regards to Lord Castle Stewart's suggestions be deferred to the next meeting of the Board and that subject there to and to the above amendments the proceedings and recommendations of the Committee as reported be and are hereby approved and confirmed.

Removal of charred furze stems

The Clerk reports that he received a reply to a letter he write to Messrs. Hunt & Co. in which they state that they will raise no objection to charred furze stems being removed under the supervision of the Lord's Reeve Mr. Kirby. It is resolved that the Clerk enquire of Messrs. Hunt & Co. whether such supervision is to extend to the northern area of the Forest or whether Mr. Brown is to be consulted as regards that portion.

Memorandum of Mr. Freshfield

Mr. Freshfield presents a memorandum on Forest fires and their prevention and it is resolved that consideration of it be deferred till the next meeting of the Board.

2nd Ranger Fund

The Clerk reports that he embodied in the application for payment of the current subscriptions and donations to the 2nd Ranger fund the statement recommended by the Fire Committee in their report; that the total of the subscriptions and donations (if all are paid) amounts to about £170 and he produces an estimate of the salary and expenses of the Second Ranger which amounts to £173.

It is resolved that the Clerk supply to each Commoner a list of the present subscribers with a view to him suggesting the names of any other persons who may be invited to become subscribers.

Forest Row Committee report

The Forest Row Committee present the following report which is read and it is resolved that is be entered on the minutes.

The Forest Row Committee met at the Village Hall, Forest Row on June 14th at 11 a.m. Present - the Chairman, D.W. Freshfield, Admiral Sir S. Colville, Colonel Needham, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Card, the Ranger in attendance.

Attention having been called to the bridge on the public footpath below the Golf Club House it was resolved to instruct the Ranger to attend at the next Parish Council and ascertain if the Council were ready to repair it. Should it decline then to report it to the next Board.

Mr. Freshfield reported the steps he had taken in connection with Mr. Hardy (acting as Vice-Chairman in Mr. Maryon-Wilson's absence) in the emergency created by the recent outbreak of incendiarism in which some 2,000 acres of land, forest and private, had been burnt. Adjacent landowners had been invited to send out employees to help watch and help extinguish the frequent fires. The Forest Row Fire Brigade had been called out on Easter Day.

After a full discussion the following resolution proposed by Admiral Colville and seconded by Colonel Needham was passed unanimously and ordered to be communicated to the Chairman of the Board:

With regard to the very strong feeling in the neighbourhood on account of the recent fires and the damage done to the Forest and private property, and also to outspoken criticism of the lack of action of the Board of Conservators it is very desirable that a Board Meeting be held at an earlier date than August.

Douglas W. Freshfield

#### Repair of bridge

Estimates of Mr. W.H. Young of Forest Row for reconstruction of the footbridge below the R.A.F. Golf Club cottage amounting to £11:10:0 and the bridge near Water Farm £17:10:0 are submitted and it is stated that some contributions from the Golf Club may be forthcoming.

It is resolved that the matter of reconstructing these bridges be referred to the Forest Row Committee with power to act at an expense not exceeding £25 to be provided out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

#### Deposit of rubbish

It is resolved that the question of erecting notice boards prohibiting the deposit of paper and other rubbish and of prosecuting in respect of such deposits under Bye Law No. 15 be considered at the next meeting.

#### Childe A.B. fire

A Mr. A.B. Childe of Harrogate and party having been found picnicking on the Forest and having lit a fire the Clerk wrote to him pointing out the breach of the Bye Laws and received a penalty of 40/-.

#### Howitt J.A. offer as watcher

A letter is read from the John A. Howitt of Lee offering if allotted a site within the confines of the Forest and allowed a moderate living wage, he would at his own expense erect a bungalow and would undertake to keep the area (Forest) free of litter working a full eight hour day regularly with a half day once a week, and suggesting that a small incinerator be erected to burn such rubbish as could not be disposed of otherwise. It is resolved that Mr. Howitt be informed that the Board are unable to entertain his proposal.

#### Annual Return

The Clerk lays on the table a duplicate of the Annual Return made to the Ministry of Health.

#### Telephone Lines

The Clerk reports that he received an application from the Post Office to erect overhead telephone lines over the open forest to connect up "Little Birches", "Ardens" and other houses near Duddleswell, and having stated that overhead lines could not be permitted the P.O. stated they would submit an application for underground cables. It is resolved that the Clerk be authorised to consent to underground cables subject to payments of the usual annual acknowledgements.

#### Maresfield Committee Report; E. Grinstead R.D.C. deposit of refuse:

The Maresfield Committee report that they considered an application from the Surveyor to the East Grinstead Rural District Council stating they have now adopted the scheme for collection of house refuse in the St John's area, and asking the consent of the Board to the deposit of refuse in the sand pit at the top of St. John's Common. The Committee having examined the site, the Clerk by their direction on 14th June last wrote to the surveyor as follows:-

Battle, 24th June 1929

Dear Sir,

#### Collection of House Refuse

I have submitted your letter to one of the 11th inst. to the Board of Conservators and am directed to inform you that, in company with Mr. Edwards, the tenant of sand pit in question they have examined the pit and unanimously decided that it would not be at all desirable to use it as a refuse dump owing to the close proximity of dwelling houses.



They examined another disused sand pit about 300 yards away on Bunker's Hill, about 100 yards from St John's Clump and consider it eminently suitable for the purpose, it being in an isolated spot and nowhere near any houses and have no objection to its being used for the purpose subject to the following conditions:-

1. That your Council fence the whole pit round and maintain the fence in a sufficiently strong state to keep cattle out, the entrance into the pit be supplied with \*\*\*\*\*.
2. That all refuse be suitably covered once a week, by Saturday noon.
3. That the track across the Forest to the pit be kept free from all fallen refuse.
4. That your Council be responsible for any accidents or complaints of any kind whatever.
5. That your council pay an acknowledgement of 1/- per quarter during the continuance of the arrangement.
6. That the Board reserve the right to terminate the arrangement at any time giving three calendar months notice in writing to the Clerk of your Council.

I understand that Mr. Edwards is prepared to carry out his part of the terms, if he obtains the Contract from your Council.

Yours faithfully,

W. Aug. Raper  
Clerk

The Engineer & Surveyor  
East Grinstead Rural Council

The Surveyor has since replied agreeing to the terms of the letter suggesting that the fence round the pit should be of split chestnut 4 feet high with the spiles approximately 6 feet apart from centre to centre and a gate similar to the fencing.

It is resolved that the arrangement proposed by the Committee be approved and confirmed subject to the variation proposed by the Surveyor, provided he is satisfied that the fence and gate he suggests will be sufficiently strong to resist pressure from cattle.

Lord Castle Stewart application for road

An application is then considered from Lord Castle Stewart for permission to make and metal a carriageway of about 15 yards in length from a house he has erected on Ordnance inclosure No. 911 at Dodds Bottom to the forest road opposite. It is resolved that a revocable licence be granted to him to make and maintain a road in the position indicated not exceeding 10 feet in width subject to the usual conditions and payment of an annual acknowledgement of 5/- each to the Lord and the Conservators.

Mr. W. Robinson

The Clerk reports that as instructed at the last meeting he wrote to Mr. W. Robinson expressing the regret of the Board that they are unable to adopt his suggested improvements in view of the large expense but hope that he will be able to see his way to direct the pecuniary help he offered to some other purpose and received the following reply "I make no proposal involving expenditure, on the other hand I sowed many thousands seeds of shrubs and trees in April free of cost and labour to the Conservators".

J.R. Owen

Mr. J.R. Owen of Holly Hill, Colemans Hatch, wrote complaining that the southern side of Kidds Hill opposite his house was being quarried with the result that the amenities of the view from his house would be greatly disfigured. Ranger Hatchett reports that this quarry is within the Forest boundary, the site of an old quarry reopened that Charles Miles of Hurstland is quarrying under the authority of the Lord's Agent, who informs him that such matters are left to the Lord's Reeve and that the working is over 2 miles distant from Mr. Owens house .

Ranger Hatchett reports that the quarrying in question is to be discontinued and it is resolved that Mr. Owen be informed thereof.

### Rangers' reports

The Clerk produces the Rangers' reports. Ranger Kirby was mainly occupied in dealing with picnickers and clearing up rubbish. There were no fire in his area and he had only two gypsy camps to deal with but he stopped a small encroachment that was being unintentionally made for Miss Cooper Willis at Little Birches, repaired a fence around the sand pit at Dodds Grove and pointed out to Mr. Huntley the boundary between the Forest and Crowborough Warren. Ranger Hatchett devoted much time to picnickers and clearing rubbish, dealt with small fire at Colemans Hatch, and in Twyford Lane on 26th May, a larger one at Twyford Wood on 28th May and 5 fires at Kidds Hill burning about 28 acres on 2nd June and a small fire at Wych Cross on the same day, a large fire (15 acres) at Kidds Hill on 15th June, dealt with a number of gypsies and inspected and reported on the quarry of which Mr. Owen complains.

It is resolved that Ranger Hatchett be granted leave of absence from 10th to 24th August inst.

### Ranger Kirby increase of salary

The Board then consider an application dated the 29th June last from Ranger Kirby for an increase of salary and after discussion it is resolved that his salary be increased from £2 to £2:10:0 per week the increase to date from Monday the 29th July last.

### R.A.F. Golf Club

A letter is read dated the 5th inst from the Secretary to the R.A.F. Golf Club applying for authority to make a few slight hollows and mounds across the fairway of the 12th hole on the golf course. It is resolved that the matter be referred to the Forest Row Committee with power to act.

### Finances

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books which show the following balances in hand:

General Account	£277:18:10
2nd Ranger Account	£130:3:8
Pro. & Imp. fund	£170:11:1

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

### Raper W.A

½ yrs salary to 30th June last £75:0:0

### Kirby Herbert

10 weeks salary to 5th inst.	£ 20:0:0	
House rent		£2:10:0
Employee insurance	£0:14:2	
£23:14:2		

### Hatchett J.W.

10 weeks salary to 5th inst.	£20:0:0	
Employee insurance	£0:14:2	
£20:14:2		

### Creasey Son & Wickenden

20 Weeks rent of Ranger Hatchett cottage to 12th inst.	£10:10:0
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That the following bills be paid out of the Pro. & Imp. Fund, viz.

F.J Ridley petrol as incurred by Ranger Kirby	£1:7:41/2
C.E. Martin ditto Ranger Hatchett	£8:1:7
Chuter & Tyler repair of Bye Law boards	£1:10:0

It is resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 30th October next at 2 p.m.

The meeting terminated at 5 p.m.

G.M. Maryon-Wilson  
Chairman

30th October 1929

A meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Nutley Hotel at Nutley on Wednesday 13th October 1929 at 2 p.m.

Present

Mr. Geo. M. Maryon-Wilson in the chair  
Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B  
Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart  
Colonel Chas. Needham  
Mr. W.H Abbey  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. D.W. Freshfield  
Mr. Herbert R. Hardy  
Mr. George D. Haslam  
Mr. William Michael  
Mr. Thos. Osborne  
Mr. Chas H.N. Adams representing Earl De La Warr

The Chairman extends on behalf of the Board a hearty welcome to the Mr. Adams as representative of Earl De La Warr.

The minutes of the last meeting are read and confirmed.

Callaghan's release

The Clerk reports that he wrote to the Home Secretary as directed at the last meeting, enquiring upon what grounds Callaghan was released and received the reply that the Home Secretary has no information in regards to the case and could not undertake to approach the Judge in regard to it.

It is resolved that no further action be taken into the matter.

Pit For town refuse on St. John's Common - agreement approved

The Clerk reports that an agreement between Lord De La Warr and the East Grinstead Rural District Council permitting the latter to use the sand pit on St. John's Common for the deposit of house refuse was produced to him and as it contained all the stipulations laid down by the Maresfield Committee, he endorsed it the approval of this Board.

He is informed that the Surveyor of the Council subsequently fenced round and commenced using a different pit, to which sanction was taken by certain residents.

Ranger Kirby states that the fence has not been removed.

It is Resolved that the Clerk write to the East Grinstead R.D.C. and call on them to remove the fence and state that Ranger Kirby will be ready to meet their Surveyor to point out the authorised pit, if they will communicate with him and arrange a date.

Removal of burnt gorse Lord's approval

The Clerk reports that in reply to a letter he was directed to write to Messrs. Hunt & Co. enquiring whether the Lord's Reeve, Mr. Kirby's, supervision over the removal of charred furze stems was intended to extend to the

northern area of the Forest, or whether Mr. Brown was to be consulted as to that portion, Messrs. Hunt stated that it would be sufficient to obtain Mr. Kirby's sanction.

In reply to the question of a Conservator, Mr. Adams states that the Lord's consent is necessary to the removal of burnt gorse stems, but that it is a matter for friendly arrangement.

2nd Ranger Fund suggested subscribers

The Clerk reports that a list of subscribers to the 2nd Ranger Fund was forwarded to each Conservator for the purpose of their suggesting any additional names, with the result that six Conservators have furnished some additional names, a list of which the Clerk produces and reports that nearly a half of these were appealed to on a former occasion without result.

It is Resolved that the question of what steps should be taken to issue a further appeal be referred to the Fire Committee.

Also that the Committee be empowered to co-opt two additional members.

It is Resolved that the following matters be also referred to the Fire Committee for consideration, and to report them to the next meeting of this Board, namely:

Lord Castle Stewart's suggestions

The last three paragraphs of the Mr. Freshfield's memorandum re. fires

Mr. Freshfield's suggestion on the subject of clearing burnt trees and furze from the Forest

Mr. Freshfield's suggestions with reference to the dense growth of fir trees between Wych Cross and Hindleap Warren.

Notice Boards re. rubbish

The question of erecting notice boards prohibiting deposit of paper and other rubbish and prosecuting under Bye Law 15 adjourned to this meeting is considered and it is Resolved that the Fire Committee be requested to take the necessary steps to erect notice boards against the deposit of rubbish on the Forest before Easter next at a cost not exceeding £15 to be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

Rubbish

A letter is read from the Forest Row Branch of the National Federation of Women's Institute with regard to the rubbish deposited on the Forest in the vicinity of Shepherd's Well, stating the efforts their Committee make to collect and burn what is deposited around their cricket and football grounds and inviting this Board to place two or three wire baskets round the football ground for reception of rubbish. It is Resolved that the Clerk reply that this Board is in full sympathy with the subject of their letter and are grateful for the action their Committee are taking, that the Board are taking steps by the erection of notice boards and otherwise to try and induce visitors not to deposit rubbish on the Forest but report that they cannot adopt the suggestion of providing wire baskets as not only would large numbers be required but they would be inevitably taken.

Bridges reconstructed

The Forest Row Committee report that the bridges near the Golf Cottages and at Water Farm have been thoroughly reconstructed in a satisfactory manner at a cost of £40:5:0 towards which contributions have been received as follows namely: from the Ladies Golf Club £2:10:0 and from the R.A.F. Golf Club £14:7:6 leaving a balance of £23:7:6 to be defrayed by the Board being less than the £25 authorised at the last meeting. It is Resolved that the balance of £23:7:6 be paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

The Manor Charitable Trust

The Clerk reports the Isle of Thorns has now become the property of the Manor Charitable Trust, who at Mr. Haslam's suggestion have forwarded a cheque for £3:3:0 to the 2nd Ranger Fund.

Town planning

The Clerk states that the Rural District Council of Uckfield appear to have under their consideration the preparation of a Town Planning Scheme for the district.

It is Resolved that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman be requested to look into the matter with a view to ascertaining whether it affects the Forest.

#### Overhead electricity cables

The Clerk reports that having been informed that the Central Electricity Board contemplate carrying an electric cable on pylons northward in the direction of the Forest he wrote to the Board on the subject and received a reply that the line will eventually run from Tunbridge Wells to the vicinity of Lewes but its course is not yet settled as the survey has not yet been carried out. A representative of the Board subsequently called upon him, to whom he pointed out on the map the bounds of the Forest and warned him that the Board would offer the most strenuous opposition to any line crossing the Forest.

It is Resolved that this Board understanding that the proposed scheme for carrying an electric cable Tunbridge Wells to the vicinity of Lewes may involve the carrying of an overhead cable on pylons across some part of Ashdown Forest, desire to inform the Electricity Board that they will be compelled to offer the very strongest opposition to any overhead line being carried over any part of the Forest, as it would destroy the beauty and amenities of the Forest, for the preservation of which they were expressly made responsible by Parliament.

#### Mr. Margary archaeological investigation

A letter is read from Mr. I.D. Margary of Chartham Park, East Grinstead, asking for permission to investigate certain enclosures on the Forest with a view to establishing their age and date of occupation, taking care to do no damage and restore the surface, and mentions points at Kings Standing between there and Gills Lap near Camp Hill and a mound south of the fork roads at Wych Cross. Also asking for information on several physical features.

It is Resolved that the letter be handed to Mr. Adams for the consideration of the Lord and to let the Clerk know his Lordship's decision.

#### Rangers' reports

The Rangers both report a considerable time occupied in clearing up rubbish. Ranger Kirby removed 5 gypsy caravans and accompanied his Committee in setting out the pit for house refuse on St. John's Common. Ranger Hatchett removed 18 gypsy caravans, watched the reconstruction of the two bridges and reported two small fires on 3rd and 13th September, one at Kidds Hill, the other at Rushey Bottom. He also reported a case in Sunday 9th September of a char-a-banc discharging its passengers below Cherry Orchard who picnicked and left a quantity of rubbish notwithstanding two notice boards in the vicinity. The Clerk wrote to the proprietors (p.208) requiring them to prevent a re-occurrence and drawing their attention to the Bye Laws and the notice boards.

#### Tonbridge School O.T.C. exercises

It is Resolved that an application of the Tonbridge School Officers Training Corps for permission to carry out tomorrow field exercises on the Forest near Wych Cross be granted.

#### Finances

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books which show the following balances in hand:

General Account	£102:2:8
2nd Ranger Account	£111:18:6
Pro & Imp Fund	£155:2:11

It is resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:-

Kirby Herbert Ranger		
Increase of salary 1 week to 5th August last.	£0:10:0	
12 weeks salary at £2:10:0		
from 5th August to 28th October	£30:0:0	
house rent at 5/-		£3:0:0
employers insurance		£0:17:0
£34:7:0		
Hatchett J.W. 2nd Ranger		
12 weeks salary at £2 to 28th October	£24:0:0	
employers insurance		£0:17:0

£24:17:0

Clerk's resignation

The following letter is read from the Clerk.

Battle

29th October 1929

My dear Sir

As material changes in the Board of Conservators will take place at the end of the year, by your retirement, as you have announced from the position of Chairman after 30 years of invaluable work, and by the retirement of Mr. Freshfield, our oldest and most experienced Conservator after 28 years service, I feel that the time has arrived when I may ask the Board to release me from the office of Clerk, which I have held for 42 years, from the institution of the Conservancy in 1887, and I suggest that my retirement should take effect at the end of the present year.

I need hardly state that I take this step with some regret, as I organised the Board, and have taken the greatest interest in its work and the problems it has had to solve from time to time.

I say 'organise' because when the Order for Regulation was confirmed by Parliament in 1885, I was appointed in draw up the constitution of the Board, its members mode of election and procedure, and the regulations governing the Meeting of Commoners, which award was confirmed by the Land Commissioners and has, I think, worked satisfactorily.

The number of the Commoners, then 67, has since, by the breaking up of some of the large estates, and subdivision of the smaller properties increased to some 450, and is likely still further to increase; and the work of the taking charges and making and collecting the rates has correspondingly increased in addition to the other work of the Board, which has always been very considerable, and is likely to increase rather than decrease in future.

I need hardly add that my experience, such as it is, will be at the service of my successor.

I cannot close this letter without expressing to you my sincere thanks for the generous help I have always received from you, which has so greatly contributed to the satisfactory working of the Conservancy.

I remain,  
Yours faithfully  
W. Aug. Raper

M. Maryon-Wilson Esq.  
Chairman.  
Board of Conservators of Ashdown Forest

It is Resolved that the resignation be accepted with great regret. It is resolved that notice be put on the agenda for the next meeting to appoint a new Clerk.

It is Resolved that the Commoners' Annual Meeting be held on Wednesday the 18th December next at 11 a.m. and that the meeting of the Board be held immediately afterwards.

The meeting terminated at 3.45 p.m.

G.M. Maryon-Wilson  
Chairman.

27th November 1929.

A meeting of Fire Committee duty convened and held at this Shelley Arms Hotel at Nutley on Wednesday the twenty seventh day of November 1929 at 2 p.m.

Present

Mr. Geo. M. Maryon-Wilson in the chair

Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B.

Mr. D.W. Freshfield

Mr. Herbert R. Hardy

Mr. George D. Haslam.

The question of co-opting additional member to this Committee as authorised at that last meeting of the Board is considered and it is decided to take no action.

Fire Prevention Fund

Mr. Freshfield suggests that it is advisable to start a special Fire Prevention Fund and reads letters from various landowners expressing willingness to support it.

It is resolved that such a Fund be formed and for the following purposes:

(a) The offering of substantial rewards for information resulting in a conviction for firing on attempting to fire the Forest.

(b) Such other action as may appear desirable for the prevention of fire.

(c) The employment of a detective if sufficient funds are submitted. The terms and duration of the engagements to be fixed by the Committee.

It is Resolved that the letters of appeal be sent out in the name of the Chairman to the individual landowners whose names are to be submitted to the Clerk.

Lord Castle Stewart's suggestions

The suggestion of Lord Castle Stewart for bringing about a better understanding and co-operation between the Commoners and the Board was considered at the last meeting of this Committee, who recommended what reply should be made to his Lordship, but the Board at their meeting on the 7th August resolved that the matter be deferred and at the last meeting the Board referred back the matter to this Committee with power to act. Lord Castle Stewart's proposals are again considered and it is Resolved the Clerk write to Lord Castle Stewart expressing the regret of the Board at the delay in arriving at a decision in the matter and inform him that they have now duly considered and appreciate the kind invitation in his letter to attend the dinner which he suggests and have no doubt that some members of the Board will be very pleased to avail themselves of it in their individual capacity; and further that the Board feel that the suggested dinner may tend to create the improved relations which his Lordship has in view.

Lord De La Warr's suggestions to

Mr. Freshfield reports that he drove Lord De La Warr's Steward and Mr. Brunskill of Messrs. Hunt & Co. his Solicitor round the Forest and pointed out the disastrous result of the fires and the desirability of the Lord removing the burnt timber and high gorse, and impressed on them that in view of the great danger to private properties \*\*\*\*\* permission should be granted to them to cut and maintain safety zones outside their boundaries.

He also pointed out the dilapidated condition of the post and rail fence round the Greenhall Toll Quarry which they undertook to repair.

Seedling firs near Hindleap Warren to be thinned

They also undertook to have the thick growth of seedling fir trees near Hindleap Warren thinned out.

It was further arranged that Mr. J.W. Hatchett shall act as Lord's Reeve over the northern part of the Forest instead of Mr. Brown, now incapacitated.

2nd Rangers Fund

With regard to finances the Clerk reports that the cost of the 2nd Ranger is now practically covered by the subscription.

Increase funds for improvement

Mr. Freshfield then raises the disability of procuring increased funds for improvement of the Forest and reads replies he has received from a member of residents to whose he has explained the position.

It is resolved that the grateful thanks of this Committee be tendered to Mr. Freshfield for the great trouble he has taken in the various matters now recorded.

Additional rubbish boards

The question of erecting additional notice boards warning against the deposit of rubbish is then considered and it is decided that each of the two Committee be authorised to erect three additional notice boards in their respective districts.

Query employ detective in fire season.

The question of the advisability of employing a detective during the next fire season is further considered and the views thereon of the Rangers is obtained but no action is decided on.

Apply for Constable to be released from the point duty

The suggestion of Ranger Kirby is approved namely, that the Chief Constable should be asked during the fire season to release the local Constable from point duty in order that they may patrol.

Continue Rangers' telephones

The Post Office Telephone Department have reminded the Clerk that the Rangers' telephones were provisionally installed for a year which will expire on 1st January inst, and desire to be informed whether the installations as to be removed. Both Rangers having reported that the telephones have proved of great use locally during and in connection with fires which they might otherwise not hear of till too late, enabling them to be promptly in attendance it is resolved that the use of the telephones be continued.

G.M. Maryon-Wilson  
Chairman

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**The Annual Meeting of the Commoners interested in Ashdown Forest duly convened by the Clerk by notice on the principal door of the Church of each of the Parishes and Ecclesiastical Districts into which the Forest extends by advertisements in two newspapers circulating in the neighbourhood, to wit, "The Sussex Express" and "The Sussex Daily News" at least fourteen days before this date and by notice sent by post to each Commoner and held at the Shelley Arms Hotel at Nutley on Wednesday the 18th day of December 1929 at 11 o' clock of the forenoon.**

Mr. George M. Maryon-Wilson in the Chair

Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B.

Sir Francis H. Champneys Bart.

Colonel Chas. Needham

Miss Barchard

Mr. Tom Burdett

Mr. John Campbell

Mr. James Card

Mr. Alfred Faber

Mr. D.W. Freshfield

Mr. H.R. Hardy

Mr. G.D. Haslam

Mr. J.B. Heath

Mr. William Mitchell

Mr. William Osborne

Mr. A. Ridley

Mr. John Rowe



Miss. Sewell  
Mr. Russell Smith  
Mr. John Taylor  
Mrs. B. Wilson

### **Election of Chairman**

On the motion of Sir H. Champneys, Mr. George M. Maryon-Wilson is chosen Chairman and having taken the chair, the Clerk reads the motion convening this meeting and reports the publication thereof as above mentioned.

### **Minutes**

The minutes of the last Annual Meeting of the Commoners are read and confirmed.

### **Conservators Election of**

The Clerk reports that the four Conservators who retire by rotation on the 31st August are Mr. William Mitchell, Col. Charles Needham, Mr. George Demaine Haslam and Mr. William Henry Abbey and that two vacancies arise in consequence of the resignation of Mr. Douglas William Freshfield and the death of Mr. Robert Kenward.

The Chairman then invited nominations to fill the four vacancies caused by those Conservators who retire by notation.

It is proposed by Mr. Rowe seconded by Mr. William Osborne and it is resolved that Mr. William Mitchell, Col. Charles Needham, Mr. George Demaine Haslam and Mr. William Henry Abbey be re-elected as Conservators.

No other Commoners having been proposed to fill these vacancies the Chairman declared the four above proposed Commoners duly elected Conservators of the Forest for the ensuing three years ending the 31st September 1932.

The Chairman then invites nominations to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Freshfield.

It is proposed by Mr. Freshfield and seconded by Mr. Hardy that Mr. James Dunning of Leggs Heath Farm, Forest Row, be elected a Conservator to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Freshfield.

It is proposed by Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville and seconded by Mr. Maryon-Wilson that Lieutenant Colonel Herbert Combe be elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Robert Kenward.

No other Commoners having been proposed the Chairman declares Mr. James Dunning elected a Conservator in the place of Mr. Freshfield resigned for the ensuing year ending 31st December 1930 and Lieut. Col Herbert Combe elected a Conservator in place of Mr. Robert Kenward deceased for the ensuing two years ending 31st December 1931.

### **Mr. Freshfield retirement**

The Chairman then expresses the great regret of the Board at the retirement of Mr. Freshfield who has been a source of real strength to it. He has rendered valuable service to the Forest for 28 years with a knowledge of Forest affairs and its history which is probably unrivalled. He has moreover given valuable assistance in a financial direction probably unknown to many of the Commoners and he expresses the hope that his wise council and advice may still be available and on his motion the meeting unanimously passed a warm vote of thanks to Mr. Freshfield for his long and valuable service.

Mr. Freshfield thanks the Commoners and reminds them that he was present at the birth of the Conservancy.

### **Path Fords's Green to Forest Bank**

The Reverend J.S. Phillips drawn the attention of the Board to the condition of the path from Ford's Green to Forest Bank and suggests that a footbridge be provided.

### **Kingstanding clump**

Mr. Heath expresses the hope that the Kingstanding and other clumps on the Forest may be preserved.

Mr. Freshfield states that he recently went round the Forest with Lord De La Warr's Agent who promised to represent to his Lordship the necessity for protecting and preserving the various clumps.

### **Woodlands gate**

Mr. A. Ridley draws the attention of the Conservators to the bad condition of the Forest gate at Woodlands.

### **Electricity**

Mr. Russell Smith and Mr. Ridley refer to the proposal to carry electric cables on pylons over the country and express the hope that none will be carried over the Forest.

The Chairman states that the Board of Conservators here already been in communication with the Electricity Commission who state that the route to Tunbridge Wells has not yet been surveyed or settled and he assures the meeting that the Board of Conservators will do all that is possible to prevent any line crossing the Forest and that they had already entered the strongest protest to the Commission against any such line.

### **Gravel pits dangerous**

Mr. Heath urges when the Board have a little spare money they should employ it in filling in the gravel pits on the Forest.

Mr. Freshfield states that on the occasion he had referred to, he drew the attention of Lord De La Warr's agent to the fencing of some of the pits. He stated that some of the fences had been destroyed by forest fires and the remains carried off by gypsies. Mr. Heath points out that if levelled in, no fences would be required.

### **Undergrowth to be kept down**

Mr. Ridley pointed out that of late years the undergrowth had extended so much as greatly to reduce the Commoners' pasture which accounted for some of the fires. If the Conservators could keep this growth down it would help the Commoners.

The Chairman replied that the Board has considered all these points, that they some time ago invited the Commoners to join them in cutting safety zones against fires but had met with no response and that it is largely a matter of expense.

Mr. Faber expressed the opinion that the difficulty arose from the Commoners not cutting the litter.

The Chairman assented and stated that the Board will be ready to give their careful consideration to any representations that may be made to them.

A Commoner: the litter is not worth cutting and does not pay.

The Chairman stated that years ago both he and his tenants took the litter regularly but now find that it is not worth the expense.

Mr. Russell Smith enquired whether the fires during the past year were incendiary.

The Chairman replied that the Board are satisfied that a considerable number were due to deliberate firing, that they had the Forest regularly patrolled and have taken all other possible action with a view to detecting offenders, and in reply to Mr. Ridley, the Chairman suggested that he should get the Commoners to organise in order to stop the fires.

The Chairman states that the representations made by the Commoners at this meeting shall be laid before the Board of Conservators.

There being no further business, the meeting terminated with a hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman.

G.M. Maryon-Wilson  
Chairman

**A meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Shelley Arms Hotel at Nutley on Wednesday the 18th day of December 1929 at 2.10 p.m.**

Mr Geo. M. Maryon-Wilson in the Chair  
Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B.  
Sir Francis. H. Champneys Bart.  
Colonel Chas. Needham  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. D.W. Freshfield  
Mr. Herbert R. Hardy  
Mr. George D. Haslam  
Mr. William Mitchell  
Mr Thomas Osborne  
Frederick Joshua Brunskill, representing Earl De La Warr

The Minutes of the meeting are read and Confirmed

**Election of Conservators**

The Clerk reports that the Annual Meeting of the Commoners took place this morning and he produces the following Certificate signed by the Chairman which he reads and it is Resolved that it be entered on the Minutes, viz:

To Mr W.A Raper  
Clerk to the Conservators of Ashdown Forest

As Chairman of the Meeting of Commoners duly convened and held this day at the Shelley Arms Hotel at Nutley for the purpose of electing four Conservators in the place of those who retire from office by rotation on the 31st day of December instant and of Mr. Douglas William Freshfield who has resigned and Mr. Robert Kenward deceased I hereby certify that at the said meeting the following four gentlemen were elected to fill the vacancies of those who retire by rotation, namely Mr. William Mitchell, Colonel Charles Needham, Mr. George Demaine Haslam and Mr. William Henry Abbey to serve for the ensuing three years and that Mr James Dunning Of Leggs Heath. Forest Row, was elected to take the place of Mr. Freshfield for the ensuing year and Lieut. Colonel Herbert Combe D.S.O. of Parrock Wood, Colemans Hatch, to take the place of Mr. Robert Kenward deceased for the ensuing two years.

Dated this 18th day of December 1929

G.M. Maryon-Wilson  
Chairman

The proceedings at the Commoners' Meeting having been considered it is also Resolved that as regards the matters referred to by Commoners at the Meeting, the condition of the footpath from Fords Green to Forest Bank be referred to the Maresfield Committee for consideration and report and they were authorised to have the Woodlands gate repaired.

On the motion of Sir Stanley Colville it is resolved that in future cases of the detection of persons depositing litter on the Forest, the offender be prosecuted so as to give publicity to the action of the Board

The Clerk produces the nomination in writing by Earl De La Warr of Mr. Charles Harold Powell Adams or failing him Mr Frederick Joshua Brunskill to represent his Lordship on the Board of Conservators.

Ranger Kirby reports as regards the pit at St John's Common which was fenced round in error for a refuse pit by the East Grinstead Rural District Council, that the fence has now been removed and the use of the pit originally agreed on has been abandoned.

The Fire Committee present the minutes of their meeting held on the 27th November last. Their report (see p.327 ante) which is read and it is Resolved that it be received.

The report having been considered it is Resolved that the acts, proceedings and recommendations of the Committee as reported be approved and confirmed.

The Chairman reports that he is not yet in a position to make a report with regards to the Proceedings of the Town Planning Committee for the northern area.

The Clerk reports that he forwarded to the Central Electricity Board a copy of the resolution of protest passed at the last meeting and in acknowledging receipt that the Secretary repeated that the route of the transmission lines has not yet been surveyed but should it be found necessary to carry the lines across the Forest, his Board will be pleased to confer with the Conservators thereon before the route is definitely settled and that the Board are mindful of amenities in the determination of routes.

The Clerk submits an application from the County Council of East Sussex for the consent of the Board to them taking materials from the Forest for the repair of their roads during the year ending 31st March 1931 namely from:

Kingstanding pits, gravel, 100 yards  
Cherry Orchard, gravel, 900 yards

and points out that this is a large increase, as for several years past the quantity applied for has been limited to 600 yards, and the Clerk referred the application to the Forest Row Committee.

Forest Row Committee

The Forest Row Committee Present the following report which is read and it is resolved that it be received and entered on the minutes namely:

The Forest Row Committee met on December 16th 1929. Present Mr Freshfield, Chairman, Admiral Sir Stanley Colville and Mr. Hardy.

Colonel Needham and Mr. Card sent letters of apology for their absence.

Mrs. Musgrave of Green Hall, Forest Row, was granted leave to broaden by six feet the stoned road outside her house so that a motor might turn in wet weather.

A complaint was received from Mr. Winkley Smith that a small pond on the Forest near his house had been emptied by cutting a trench to allow the water to flow away. The Ranger was instructed to see to the damage being repaired.

Mr. Card wrote that the bridge of an old cart tract on the Forest near the top of Posthorn Lane was dangerous for waggons. The Ranger was charged to inquire and report.

The matter of erecting notice boards with "Leave no litter" on them was left over to be decided by the Board. It was suggested these boards should be in addition to and not in substitution of the existing boards.

It was reported that Lord De La Warr has given a license to one firm to cut hollies and that watch was being kept to prevent any being cut by unauthorised persons. The Ranger and the police were acting together in this matter.

Correspondence with the County Council Road Surveyor with regard to improvements at the four cross roads at Wych Cross was submitted. The Surveyor had come to an agreement with regard to the north east and south east corners with the owners of the ground to lower the banks and cut away trees that by obstructing the view caused a danger to traffic.

The ground north west and south west is part of the Forest and the Lord's Agent having approved of the proposal with regard to them, the Chairman had assented on the part of the Board to the work being carried out. It consisted of lowering two green banks devoid of trees a foot or two and replacing the turf and it was obviously desirable the whole four corner plots should be dealt with at one time.

An application from the County Council Surveyor (forwarded by the Clerk) was submitted. It asked for a permission to take 1,000 in place of 600 yards of gravel from the Forest next year and to take 900 of there from below Cherry Orchard (see letter of 10th October enclosed from Mr. Raper).

The Committee recommended that the County Surveyor's request be referred to the Lord's representative with an expression of the Board's view that on no account should more gravel be taken from beside the high road below Cherry Orchard but only (if at all) from localities where the amenities of the neighbourhood and the beauty of the Forest will not be disturbed. The Committee further suggest that the Board should point out that these large demands for forest gravel (which is not desirable) are obviously the result of there being (apparently) no charge made for the quantity taken.

The Ranger was instructed to report to the Board what \*\*\*\*\* spots there were for taking further gravel in the Forest Row section of the Forest, should the Board think it fit to grant an extended permission to the Surveyor.

The report having been considered it is Resolved that the acts, proceedings and recommendations of the Committee as reported be and are hereby approved and confirmed.

The Maresfield Committee state that they have considered an application made by Messrs. F. Longley & R.G. Waters to metal and improve two forest tracks leading to Spring Gardens Wood and adjacent land, one about 100 yards in length the other about 15 yards in length, which they are about to develop for building and present the following report:

The Maresfield Committee report that they met on the 4th December inst. at Spring Gardens, Fairwarp, present: Mr. Thos. Osborne & Mr. H.R. Hardy with Ranger Kirby, to consider an application of Mr. Roy G. Waters to metal two cart tracks leading into the Spring Gardens property.

In view of the fact that this land is to be developed purely for commercial purposes, and after development will in no way improve the outlook of the Forest in that district, it is recommended that a rent of £10 be charged for the western entrance of approximately 100 yards.

Also that a 9 inch pipe be laid under the proposed road to carry off the large amount of water which accumulates.

With regard to the eastern entrance it is suggested that a rent of £4 be charged.

H.R. Handy  
Vice-Chairman

It is resolved that before the Board can arrive at any decision the Clerk obtain from the applicants full particulars of the proposed development of the Spring gardens estate and its area.

It is Resolved that the annual subscription to the Commons & Footpaths Preservation Society of £2:2:0 per annum and to the Council for the Preservation of Rural England of £1:1:0 continue to be otherwise ordered.

### **Rangers' reports**

Ranger Kirby has had at a quiet time. He removed one gypsy and on the 6th November extinguished a small fire near Duddleswell.

Ranger Hatchett has removed 3 lots of gypsies and on the 6th inst. found a man, believed to be a Frenchman from \*\*\*\*\* lying unconscious and wet through on a Forest track near Kidds Hill. Mr. Newbolt very kindly lent his car and the man was in bed in the Infirmary at East Grinstead within an hour of his discovery by the Ranger.

### **Tamplin & Sons**

An application is considered from Tamplin & Sons Brewery for permission to erect a sign post on Forest land at the corner of the Duddleswell Road and the road there to Fairwarp advertising the Foresters Arms. It is Resolved that the application be referred to the Maresfield Committee with power to act.

### **Mr. R.J.E. Smith roadway**

A letter is read from the Mr. R.J.E. Smith of Moorlands, Friars Gate complaining that tradespeople use the trackway which he has repaired leading over the Forest land from the Crowborough - Tunbridge Wells road to his house.

Ranger Kirby reports that Mr. Smith, who has only just now purchased the property has made the track which is approximately 60 yards long and about 9 feet in width into a good road covered with tar chippings.

The Clerk reports that no permission has been given to Mr. Smith to interfere with the track.

It is Resolved that the matter be referred to the Maresfield Committee with power to act.

### **Mr. Margary archaeological investigations**

The Clerk reports that in accordance with the instructions given to him at the last Meeting he handed Mr. Margary's application for permission to make certain archaeological researches on the Forest to Mr. Adams to ascertain the Lord's decision and Mr. Adams has informed him that having made inquiries as to Mr. Margary's status his Lordship proposes to grant him a licence under which he will be obliged to restore the surface.

It is Resolved that Mr. Adams be informed that this arrangement will be satisfactory to this Board .

### **Extensions of Ladies Golf Club course**

A letter is read from the Ladies Golf Club at Forest Row applying for the permission of the Board to extend their links to 18 holes as shown on a plan which accompanied it, and stating that Lord De La Warr has been approached and is very favourable to the proposal. It is Resolved that the application be referred to the Forest Row Committee with power to act.

The Clerk produces the Bank Books which show the following balances in hand:

General Account	£194:0:8
2nd Ranger Fund	£90:9:0
Pro. & Imp. Fund	£114:17:9

It is Resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

Kirby Herbert Ranger	
9 weeks salary at £2:10:0	
from 28th Oct. to 30th December	£22:10:0
house rent at 5/-	£2:5:0
employers insurance	£0:12:9
	£25:7:0

Hatchett J.W. 2nd Ranger	
12 weeks salary to 30th December	£18:0:0
employers insurance	£0:12:9
	£18:12:9

Creasey, Son & Wickenden	
20 weeks rent of 2nd Ranger's cottage	
to 30th inst.	£10:10:0

Banister E. printing	£5:7:6
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The Clerk, on Account No. 1	
Hire of room and other petty payments	£8:13:5
Kirby, Herbert postages	£1:3:0
Postage and receipt stamps for the year	£6:16:7
Travelling expenses	£14:7:2
Half year's salary to 31st inst.	£75:0:0

£106:6:2

The Clerk	
Telephones and telegrams for the year	£1:16:8

The Clerk on 2nd Rangers Account

Workmen's insurances	£1:0:3
Hatchett for postages etc/	£1:10:0
Banister E. printing	£0:17:0
	£3:7:3

The Clerk on the Pro. & Imp. Fund

Ridley, F.J. petrol & oil for Kirby to  
19th October

£1:3:2

Martin C.E. Petrol and repairs for  
Hatchett

£1:17:11

Martin C.E. Petrol & oil for Hatchett

£0:19:4

Ridley, F.J. ditto for Kirby

£0:13:10

Raper, W.A. Costs of prosecuting Underwood  
at Quarter Sessions

£23:3:5

Ditto Callaghan at the Assizes

£9:5:2

Ditto costs of opposing licence  
to the Roebuck Inn

£4:4:0

£14:9:10

It is Resolved that Mr. Haslam be appointed to audit the accounts for the current year.

### **Appointment of Clerk**

Upon the motion of Mr. Haslam seconded by Sir F. Champneys it is Resolved that Mr Reginald West Fovargue be appointed Clerk to the Conservators on the resignation of Mr. Raper at the same salary of £150 per annum and on other terms which the retiring Clerk holds office such appointment to take effect from the 1st day of January next.

The Chairman then presented on behalf of the Board a framed watercolour sketch of Ashdown Forest by Mr. Charles Harrington with the inscription "Presented to William Augustus Raper by the Board of Conservators of Ashdown Forest on his resignation as Clerk after 42 years of invaluable service, 13th December 1929".

In making the presentation the Chairman expressed the great regret felt by every member of the Board at the resignation of Mr. Raper after such a long period of service which had been of the greatest value not only to the Board but to the Forest as a whole and he trusted that the picture would serve as a pleasant memento of his work during all the those years

It is Resolved that the next Meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 12th February next at 2.30 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may consider necessary.

The Meeting terminated at 1.45 p.m.

H.R. Hardy  
Chairman

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**A meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Shelley Arms Hotel at Nutley on Wednesday the 12th day of February 1930 at 2.30 p.m.**

Sir Francis H Champneys Bart.

Colonel Charles Needham

Lieut. Colonel H. Combe D.S.C.

Mr. James Card

Mr. James Dunning

Mr. H. Ronald Hardy

Mr. Geo. D. Haslam

Mr. William Mitchell

Mr. Thomas Osborne  
Mr. F.J. Brunskill (representing Earl De La Warr)

### **Election of Chairman & Vice-Chairman**

The Clerk informs the meeting that the first business is to appoint a Chairman for the year and reads a letter from Mr Maryon-Wilson apologising for his inability to attend today's meeting and setting out his reasons for resigning the Chairmanship after 30 years in that capacity.

On the motion of Colonel Needham seconded by Mr. Haslam it is unanimously resolved that Mr H. Ronald Hardy be the Chairman of the Board for the current year.

On the motion of Colonel Needham seconded by Mr. Haslam it is Resolved that Mr G.M. Maryon-Wilson be invited to become Vice-Chairman for the current year.

The Clerk was directed to convey to Mr. Maryon-Wilson the warm appreciation of the Board for his very excellent services as their Chairman during the past 30 years that though they regret his decision they hope he will continue to give them the benefit of his experience

### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last meeting are read and confirmed. Apologies for absence are received from Admiral The Honble Sir Stanley Colville and Mr. W.H. Abbey.

### **Appointment of Committees**

The following Committees are then appointed for the current year.

The Forest Row Committee: Sir Stanley Colville, Colonel Needham, Mr. James Dunning, Mr. H. Ronald Hardy, Mr James Card and Mr William Mitchell. This Committee appoint Colonel Needham as their Chairman.

The Maresfield Committee: Sir F.H. Champneys, Mr. Geo. D. Haslam, Mr Thos. Osborne, Mr H. Ronald Hardy, Mr W.H. Abbey and Lieut. Colonel Combe. This Committee appoint Mr Haslam as their Chairman.

The Fire Committee: The Chairman of the Board, the Chairmen of both District Committees and Mr. W. Mitchell. The Clerk was instructed to enquire of Mr. Maryon-Wilson would consent to serve on this Committee and that failing his acceptance then Lieut. Colonel Combe be appointed.

### **Messes Longley & Waters application**

The Clerk reads a letter dated the 6th January 1930 from the applicants in which they state it is very difficult to know the exact requirement having no fixed idea of the development but it is proposed to divide the lower part of the Farm and erect about 3 houses each of which would stand on several acres of land. It is resolved (a) that the recommendations of the Maresfield Committee as reported to the last Meeting of the Board (see p 339 ante) be approved and adopted (b) in the event of the applicants accepting either or both recommendations the acknowledgment be divided between the Lord and the Conservators and the right held in accordance with a revocable license approved by the Clerk and upon payment of his reasonable fee for the licence by the applicants.

### **Audit Report**

Mr. Haslam reports that he has today audited the accounts for the year ended 31st December 1929 and presents the following report which is read:

To the Conservators of Ashdown Forest.

I have carried out the audit of the accounts of the Conservancy. I have today examined (1) The General Account (2) The Second Ranger Account, and (3) The Account of the Protection and Improvement Fund, each for the year 1929. I have checked the balances brought forward from last year and the various receipts, and have compared the payments charged to each account with the vouchers for same and have checked the casting of the accounts and find them all correct.

The balance of each account stood on 31st December last as follows:-

Account no 1 in hand

£70:11:1



Account no 2 in hand  
Protection & Improvement Fund in hand

£57:19:0  
£91:11:7

The sum of £159:15:4 Consols and the sum of £150 5% War Stock 1929/47 represent the investment held on account of the Protection & Improvement Fund.

I found the account well kept and correct.

The position of the Second Ranger Account is more satisfactory but the demands on the Protection & Improvement Fund have increased and should be kept under observation.

Dated this 12th day of February 1930  
G.D. Haslam

It is Resolved that the report be approved and the accounts signed by the Chairman, further that the grateful thanks of the Board be accorded to Mr. Haslam for his services.

Mr. Haslam also calls the attention of the Board to the running expenses of the Rangers' motor cycles during the past two years.

### **Rangers' motor cycles**

The Clerk requested instructions as to the insurance of the Rangers' motor cycles against the risk of pillion riding which will entail a 50% increase in the annual premiums which are at present £12:12:9.

Resolved that this risk be covered until the expiry of the present policy. Mr. Dunning is asked to obtain quotations from other companies in the hope that a better rate may be obtained in the future.

### **Ranger Hatchett accident**

The Clerk further reported that a claim for damages has been made against Ranger Hatchett in respect of an accident which has been referred to the insurance company who are dealing with it notwithstanding that Ranger Hatchett was carrying a pillion passenger when the accident took place.

It appears that there is a good defence to any action which may be taken although the claimant's solicitors have suggested an ex gratia payment in settlement of the claim which the company will not entertain.

### **Maresfield Committee report**

The Maresfield Committee present the following report of their meeting held on the 31st January 1930.

The Maresfield Committee met on January 31st, all present except Mr. Abbey.

- (I) Application from the Revd Phillips for footbridge over stream from Fords Green to Forest Bank. Recommended that two railway sleepers be purchased. Kirby has been instructed to obtain these.
- (II) Application from Tamplin & Sons Brewery to erect a sign board to Forester's Arms at the corner of the Fairwarp - Duddleswell road. The Committee cannot agree to the erection of the sign board.
- (III) Application from Albert Ridley for a forest gate to be repaired at Woodlands Lane, Fairwarp. The Committee could find nothing wrong with the gate.
- (IV) To investigate the case of Mr Smith of Moorlands, Friars Gate, where he has installed the road to his house with tar chippings. Kirby informed the Committee that he had discovered that a Mr. Hoath owns the land on which this road is made. The latter can show his title deeds relating thereto. Referred the matter to Mr. Fovargue for his verification.
- (V) Application from Miss Cooper-Willis of "Little Birches" to lay a pipe to take overflow of water from "Ardens" spring to her spring. Recommended that subject to Mr. Marsh's consent a revocable licence (no payment) be granted, the work to be carried out to the satisfaction of Kirby.
- (VI) Application of Dr Ormond for a board to be affixed to an upright at Fairwarp, at the corner of the road leading from the main road to a series of small properties, two of which he owns. Three of these houses cannot be seen from the main road. He suggests that the names of these houses should be written on the proposed board to direct visitors to the various properties.

Recommended that permission be granted to erect an upright not more than 8 feet out of the ground with a board attached giving the names of the respective houses at a spot to be indicated by Kirby. The dimensions of the upright and board to be drawn up by Mr. Fovargue. The cost of making, applying and fixing to be borne by the owners of the respective properties and a licence of 2/6 per annum for each written name on the board. No other notices of any kind to be affixed to the upright when erected.

The names of the houses are “The Beacon“, “The Hermitage”, “Crofts” & “Little House”.

You will notice from Dr Ormond’s letter that an old licence had been granted many years ago to a Mr. Aldred to put up a post. This is still there but there are 4 very untidy boards nailed to it in different conditions of repair.

G.D. Haslam Chairman

It is resolved that the Report be received

Miss Cooper-Willis application

The Chairman states that he is informed by Mr. Marsh that the latter cannot see his way to consent to the applicant’s suggestion. Resolved that Miss Cooper-Willis be informed that the Board regret that they cannot are their way to give the necessary consent.

Mr. Smith road to Moorlands

The Clerk informs the Board that he is inspecting Mr Hoath’s documents after the Meeting today. The Board consider that an acknowledgment of 5/- per name be charged for the direction post to The Beacon and other properties and it is resolved accordingly.

Resolved that the recommendations of the Committee as amended be approved and adopted.

### **Acknowledgement for direction posts 10’- per annum per board in future**

It being considered that the scale of acknowledgements for direction posts is adequate. Resolved that in all future cases an annual acknowledgement of 10/- per board be imposed.

### **Forest Row Committee**

The Forest Row Committee present the report of their Meeting held on the 14th January 1930.

The Committee met on 14th January 1930 at Admiral Sir Stanley Colville’s house at Forest Row. Present Col. Chas. Needham in the chair. Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B., Mr. James Card, Mr. H.R. Hardy, Mr. William Mitchell.

### **Ladies Golf Course extension**

The question of the proposed extension of the Ladies Golf Course was fully considered. Letters were read from the Secretary of the Ladies Golf Club making an application for extension of their course, also from Lady De La Warr giving certain views of the Lord on the subject.

The various advantages resulting from the carrying out of the scheme were pointed out, among them bring the following.

1. A sum of from £3000 to £4000 to be spent in the neighbourhood in various ways including the employment of local labour.
2. More employment owing to the necessity of increased staff for upkeep, as well as more caddies.
3. The land absorbed by the scheme would be better cared for, and certain weeds etc. now present would be destroyed.
4. The parking of large numbers of charabancs, etc. on the road would be to some extent regulated

These advantages were pointed out to all members of the Committee and arrangements were made for ascertaining the views of certain Commoners living in the district and who might object to the scheme on the grounds that grazing ground would be spoilt.

It was pointed out that the Committee wished to make quite sure that no hardships would be incurred by anyone before they gave approval to the scheme, but that in view of the undoubted benefit to many sections of the community they felt that very favourable consideration should be given.

Sequel to report of Forest Row Committee of 14th January 1930. It having been ascertained that the majority of the Commoners are in favour of the proposal to extend the Ladies Golf Club links in the neighbourhood of Ashdown Place, the Committee are now unanimous in recommending that the application of the Secretary of the Ladies Golf Club be granted with certain reservations as to licence and other matters.

Charles Needham  
18th January 1930.

### **R.A.F. Golf Club – increased acknowledgement**

The Clerk produces the present license to the Royal Ashdown Forest Golf Club under which a yearly acknowledgement of £62:10:0 is paid, divided equally between the General Account and the Protection and Improvement Fund. Resolved that (a) the report of the Committee be approved and adopted.

(b) The yearly acknowledgement be increased to £80 divisible as before and the Golf Club enter into a revocable licence in a form approved by the Clerk upon payment of his reasonable charges for the licence by the applicants.

### **Building line near Crow & Gate**

A letter is read from the Clerk to the County Council enclosing a plan showing the limits of the building line which the County Council are proposing to prescribe under the Road Improvement Act 1925 on the Lewes - Tunbridge Wells main road and asking for the consent of the Road. The proposals have previously been approved by the Ministries of Health and Transport and the Uckfield Rural District Council.

Resolved that the same be referred to the Lord for his consideration and that he be informed that this Board have no objection to the proposals.

### **Miss Rogers application for repairs**

Miss Rogers of Lyndhurst wrote applying for assistance to make good the damage caused by violent rains to the road leading to Brown's Brook. The Board is informed that in October 1927 they granted a sum of £15 towards the repair of this road which leads to three cottages at Browns Brook, one of which is owned by Miss Rogers and three cottages at Payne's Hill belonging to Mrs. Eckstein.

Resolved that Miss Rogers be informed that as the Board have so recently granted assistance they cannot see their way to entertain the application.

### **Road to Water Farm**

The Clerk reported that he had received a letter from Sir George Collier asking for the Board to intervene and protect him against the usage of the road leading out of Foxbury Wood in respect of part of which he holds a licence from the Board. The Clerk replied that as the owner of the Broadstone Place estate would we doubt have a clearing way for timber over the road he did not how the Board could intervene in the matter, to which Sir George has replied that he has been unable to come to any friendly arrangement with the owner in question.

### **Arrangements with Lord De La Warr**

At the request of Mr. Maryon-Wilson the Board consider the question of making arrangements with Lord De La Warr with regard to the railing of quarries at Green Hall Toll, the replacing of fir clumps and clearance of the thick growth of seedling firs and burnt trees at Hindleap Warren. Mr. Brunskill reports that he has been in communication with Lord De La Warr's Agent Mr. Pusey and has arranged:

- (a) for their men and a lorry to be at the quarry at Green Hall Toll on Monday next to commence repairs. Ranger Hatchett is instructed to be in attendance and
- (b) for the planting of 20 trees each of a size and quality to be specified at the clumps at Gill's Lap and King's Standing respectively. Mr. Brunskill in reply to question also offers to carry out replanting at High Toll and Greenhall Toll.

Mr. Pusey considers the thinning out of the heavy undergrowth would not achieve the desired result. Mr. Brunskill explains that so far Mr. Pusey has been unable to find any purchaser who would buy and remove the burnt trees. Mr. Dunning stated his willingness to assist and agrees to get in touch with the Lord's representative. Resolved that the foregoing arrangements be approved.

The Chairman suggests that grips or ditches should be cut to prevent gypsies drawing their vehicles on to the Forest and Mr. J. Card reports that Mr. Fitzroy Chapman has dug a ditch some eight feet in depth outside his entrance gate. Resolved that the Clerk and Mr. Brunskill consider the legal position and report to the District Committees.

### **The Roebuck, Wych Cross**

Sir Francis Champneys reports that Major J.S. Inglis again made application for a Justices Licence in respect of these premises before the East Grinstead Licensing Committee on the 3rd February. The Clerk states that on the instructions of Mr. Maryon-Wilson he attended to support the opposition and after a prolonged hearing the Justice decided to refuse the application.

Resolved that the action of Mr. Maryon-Wilson be confirmed; further that in the event of an application being made next year, the matter be reported to the Forest Row Committee with the power to act.

### **Rangers' reports**

Ranger Kirby reported the removal of caravans and tents for the clearing away of branches which fell after the heavy wind. He also reports attending Sir Henry Cowans of Crows Nest with regard to surplus soil being deposited on the Forest in a position approved by the Ranger, the work to be completed to his satisfaction and upon payment of an acknowledgement of 2/6. The surface of the forest will not be interfered with.

### **Repair of the footbridge at Forest Bank**

Ranger Kirby also reports he has ordered the railway sleepers for repairing the footbridge at forest bank at a cost of 5/-. Otherwise he has no noteworthy occurrences to report.

Resolved that the cost of the sleepers be paid out of the Protection and Improvement fund.

Ranger Hatchett reported the removal of various gypsies' vans and horses, that he has on two occasions issued summonses against J. Smith and A. Chapman who on the first occasion were fined 2/6 each and on the second occasion 40/- each. That he has also issued a summons against Henry Brazil which has not yet been served, that the piston on his motor cycle became badly \*\*\*\*\* and has been replaced through Mr. Martin of Forest Row, that the clump of trees on Green Hall Toll have been blown down and finally that he was confined indoors with a chill on the 7th and 8th February.

### **Authority to Bank**

The Clerk requests the authority of the Board to his countersigning cheques drawn by the Board. Resolved that the necessary authority be given.

### **Finances**

The Clerk produces the Bank Books which show the following balances in hand:-

General Account	£71:1:1
2nd Ranger account	£61:11:6
Protection and Improvement Fund	£93:1:6

### **Rate**

The Clerk reported that the funds in the General Account will be practically exhausted by the next meeting and is instructed to prepare a new Rate to lay before that meeting.

It is Resolved that cheques be drawn as follows.

Kirby Herbert Ranger

6 weeks Salary at £ 2:10:0 per week to 10th February

£15:0:0

House rent @ 5p per week

£1:10:0

6 Weeks Employers Insurance  
to 10th February 1930

£0:8:6

£16:18:6

Hatchett J. W

6 weeks salary at £2 per week to 10th February 1930

£12:0:0

Employers Insurance

£0:8:6

£12:8:6

Also that the following sums be withdrawn from the Protection & Improvement Fund:

Refundment of for Kirby's motor cycle  
in January 1929

£3

Refundment of for Kirby's motor cycle  
in January 1930

£3

Refundment of ... for Hatchett's  
motor cycle in January 1929

£3

Refundment of ... for Hatchett's  
motor cycle in January 1930

£3

Post Office telephone for 4 year  
to March and calls for Kirby

£1:16:9

Post Office telephone for 4 year  
to March and calls for Hatchett

£1:19:4

Commons and Footpaths Preservation  
Society subscription

£2:2:0

Society for Protection of Rural England  
subscription

£1:1:0

Fovargue R.W. costs re. "Roebuck"  
opposition to  
Martin C. Petrol  
Martin C. Ariel piston  
Ridley

£10:10:0

£0:18:6

£1:5:0

£2:3:6

£0:14:8

£32:7:3

### **Improvements at Wych Cross**

A letter was read from the County Council adopting the recommendation of the Roads and Bridge Committee to carry out the improvement at these crossroads and thanking the Conservators for their action in the matter.

An application from the Guild of Citizens of Tomorrow asking for permission to hold a trek in the Ashdown Forest at Easter was read and the Clerk was instructed to ascertain more precise information about the applicants and details of their intended arrangements and that when received the matter be referred to the appropriate District Committee.

### **Cutting of safety zones**

The Chairman intimated that he will ask the Fire Committee to take into consideration the desirability of owners of properties adjacent to the Forest being permitted to cut safety zones.

The next meeting of the Fire Committee was arranged to be held at the Shelley Arms, Nutley, on Wednesday 26th February 1930 at 2.30 p.m.

It was resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday 21st May 1930 at 3 p.m. or on such other day and hour as the Chairman may fix.

The meeting terminated at 4.50 p.m.

H.R. Hardy  
Chairman.

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**A meeting of the Fire Committee duly convened and held at the Shelley Arms Hotel at Nutley on Wednesday 26th February 1930 at 2.30 p.m.**

Mr. H. Ronald Hardy in the Chair  
Colonel Chas. Needham  
Lt. Col. H. Combe  
Mr. G.D. Haslam

### **Cherry Orchard quarrying**

Mr. D.W. Freshfield being in attendance is accorded permission by the Committee to deal with an urgent matter which has arisen in connection with the quarrying for stone at Cherry Orchard by the East Sussex County Council.

He explained that the beauties of that portion of the Forest are being seriously jeopardised, the material is being used for the building of retaining walls at the Wych Cross improvement and not for highway repair and is being quarried pursuant to a licence granted by the Lord's Reeve, Mr. William Brown.

The Minutes of the Board at their meeting held on the 12th December 1928 are read (p. 273) in which licence was granted for the quarrying of 500 yards of stone from this pit.

Resolved that the Chairman be requested to communicate with the County Surveyor and explain that the Board deplore any action which would injure the amenities of the Forest.

### **Minutes**

The minutes of the last meeting are read confirmed and signed.

### **Reward for detection of incendiaries**

Resolved that (a) an amount not exceeding £20 be offered and (b) the conditions of the offer when drawn by the Clerk and settled by the Chairman be published at the Post offices, public houses, Reading rooms and police stations in and near the forest and advertised in the local press.

### **Safety zones**

Resolved that steps be taken to facilitate the procedure under which the Lord grants such licences and limit of at least 50 feet outside boundary fences be suggested.

### **Appeals**

The Committee consider a draft letter submitted by the Clerk which is approved subject to amendment and to the paragraph relating to safety zones and procedure for grants, licences expeditiously being revised after obtaining the view of the Lord's representative.

### **Detectives**

Resolved that provided sufficient funds are forthcoming from the appeal, the arrangement be left in the hands of the Chairman with power to act.

### **Ranger Hatchett pillion riding**

The Chairman informs the Committee that it has been brought to his notice by various inhabitants of the district that Ranger Hatchett has been habitually taking passengers unconnected with his duties on the pillion of his motor cycle.

The Ranger is called upon to give his explanation after full consideration of the matter.

Resolved that Ranger Hatchett be most severely reprimanded on this occasion.

The Chairman communicated the decision of the Committee to the Ranger.

He also explained to both Rangers that pillion riding in future is expressly prohibited.

### **Ranger Hatchett's accident**

The Clerk reports the Sun Office have settled the claim by an ex gratia payment of £10:10:0 with £1:11:6 legal costs in addition. The company suggest that the Board should pay either the full year's premium of £6:15:0 or £2:2:3 for the proportion of the year since the accident as the risk was not covered at that time. Resolved that the full year's premium be paid

### **Rubbish boards**

The Committee instructed Ranger Kirby to arrange with Mr. Osman for the supply and fitting of six boards at £1:8:9 per board provided he can complete the work in one month failing which the matter is referred to the Chairman with power to act. It was decided that the board be painted black with orange lettering.

### **Handbills**

The Chairman submits sundry suggestions for special handbills to be exhibited in the motor omnibuses crossing the forest which he will arrange to have printed and circulated. Resolved that Form no 3 on the list and the Chairman's suggested action be approved.

Chairman

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## **A Meeting of this Committee duly convened and held at the Shelley Arms Hotel, Nutley, on Thursday 13th March 1930 at 3.30 p.m.**

Mr. H. Ronald Hardy in the chair

Lieutenant Col. H. Combe

Mr. Jas Cord

Mr. G.D. Haslam

Mr. Thos. Osborne

Mr. F.J. Brunskill representing Lord De La Warr

### **Lord Castle Stewart dinner**

The Chairman explained that certain questions have arisen and that Mr. Lane (Lord Castle Stewart's Secretary) is attending the Meeting at his request.

The Committee inform Mr. Lane in reply to his question that in their view all Commoners including ladies should be invited. A draft letter of invitation was read by Mr. Lane, but the Committee inform him that in view of the settled policy of the Board they cannot approve the draft in the form as submitted, nor must it appear that they are actively connected with the arrangement or will attend the dinner in other than their individual capacity.

### **Fire extinguishers**

The Committee consider the desirability of purchasing fire extinguishers and instruct the Clerk to enquire of Messrs. Merryweather & Co of Long Acre, London, whether they have any suitable portable extinguishers for dealing with heather and standing gorse and are willing to give a demonstration on the Forest in the presence of the Committee.

### **Fire fighters**

The Chairman suggests that it would be desirable to appoint local people to assist the Rangers in their fire preventative duties. The names of Mr. Jack Card, Mr. Charles Mitchell, Mr. L. Buckman, Mr. J. Sherbourn, Mr. Cliff Ridley and Mr. Clark are suggested, all of whom have promised to assist in their spare time. Resolved that the above named be appointed to assist the Rangers in putting out and detecting fires for a period of eight weeks from the 24th March 1930 at a weekly wage of 5/- exclusive of National Health and Workmen's Compensation Insurances which shall be paid by the Board out of the Fire Prevention Fund.

### **Fire at Wych Cross**

A request is received from Mr. Freshfield asking the Committee to take into consideration the cutting of the thick and closely growing firs at and near Wych Cross which he considers should be dealt with before the coming fire season. Ranger Hatchett informs the Committee that there are upwards of 25 acres affected. Mr. Brunskill on

behalf of the Lord undertakes to do all that is possible. Resolved that the Clerk inform Mr. Freshfield that the Lord will do what he can to help with the matter.

### **Safety belts along main roads**

The Chairman suggested that authorities should be given to responsible persons living on or near the Forest authorising them to take the names of or warn anyone found with any kind of stove or fire. The Clerk advises the Committee that these authorities to be affected may involve attendance at court if an information is laid under the Bye Laws and that private people may not wish to undertake this duty. After full consideration Resolved that a letter be written to each number of the Board enquiring if he knows of any individual willing to assist in the way suggested and be prepared to assist in presentation in all cases where evidence justified such a course.

### **Fire Fighters Fund**

The Clerk requests instructions as to the countersigning of cheques. Resolved that all cheques drawn on this fund be countersigned by the Chairman and Clerk.

The Meeting terminated at 5.45 p.m.

Chairman

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## **A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Shelley Arms Hotel at Nutley on Monday the 28th April 1930 at 2.30 p.m.**

Mr. H. Ronald Hardy , Chairman

Colonel Charles Needham

Lieut. Col. H. Combe

Mr James Card

Mr. James Dunning

Mr. G.D. Haslam

Mr. W. Mitchell

Mr. F.J. Brunskill representing Lord de la Warr

Apologies for absence are read from Sir Francis Champneys (who is absent through indisposition), Sir Stanley Colville and Mr G.M. Maryon-Wilson. The Clerk was directed to express the regrets of the Board to Sir Francis Champneys on his enforced absence and their hopes for his speedy recovery.

### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read, signed and confirmed

### **Greenhall Toll quarry**

Colonel Needham stated that the fencing had been unsatisfactorily completed and Mr. Brunskill promised to look in to the matter as well as the cutting of the high gorse.

### **Election of Vice Chairman**

The Meeting voted by ballot for the election of a Chairman. The Ballot resulted in equal votes for Admiral Sir Stanley Colville and Colonel Charles Needham.

It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr James Dunning and unanimously resolved that Admiral The Honourable Sir Stanley Colville be the Vice Chairman of the Board for the current year and that failing his acceptance it was further resolved that Colonel Charles Needham should be elected Vice Chairman.

### **Pillion riding**

The Clerk reports that he finds that the Board will be legally responsible for any third party claims which may arise in the event of the Rangers taking pillion passengers not withstanding the instructions of the Board to the contrary.

In accordance with the authority conferred by the Fire Committee the Chairman has given instructions for this to be covered and the necessary steps have been taken with the Sun Insurance Office.



### **Mr. Hoath road to Moorlands**

The Clerk reports that subsequent to the last Meeting of the Board he inspected Mr Hoath's deeds and finds that he has a clear ownership of the land and that it is not a matter which further affects the Board.

### **Young Theosophists**

Mr Dunning having communicated with the Clerk, the application to camp from this body was not further proceeded with.

### **R.A.F. Golf Club licence**

The Clerk reports that the Golf Club have accepted the terms laid down by the Board at their last Meeting and the licence will be prepared as soon as Lord de la Warr has specified his consent.

Mr. Fitzroy Chapman

Ranger Hatchett reports that Mr Chapman has partially filled in the ditch of which complaints were made at the last meeting and Mr. Card was asked to inspect and see if the same was now satisfactory.

### **Fire Committee report**

The Fire Committee present the following report of their Meeting on the 26th February 1930 (see page 356 ante)

Resolved that the Report be received.

### **Cherry Orchard quarry**

The Chairman presents the following report of his Meeting with the County Surveyor. The question of further quarrying at above was amiably settled on Thursday last 6th when a meeting on the site was held. Those present included the Deputy County Surveyor, Assistant Surveyor, Mr. Dunning, Mr. Freshfield, Mr. Pusey, Mr. Brunskill and myself. It was agreed to allow the removal of further 65 yards of material, after which the pit was to be generally cleared up, sloped at a convenient angle, planted with bench seedlings, and the top soil replaced both in the pit and on the roadside. Also that digging was to be done in a southerly direction as far as possible.

H.R. Hardy.

Resolved that the action of the Chairman and the Dunning be approved

### **Reward & appeal**

The Chairman reported that he settled the form of reward with the Clerk, and has circulated over 150 appeals to residents on and near the Forest for the Fire Prevention Fund and that a total of £148:12:6 has been subscribed to date.

Mr. Dunning offers to lend the Board the services of a tree cutter for part time service in cutting burnt trees on the Forest near Legs Heath. Resolved that the offer be accepted with the grateful thanks of the Board.

Resolved that the recommendations of the Committee be approved and adopted.

The Fire Committee present the report of their Meeting held on the 13th March 1930 (see page ante).

Resolved that the Report be received.

### **Fire extinguishers**

The Chairman reported that he had inspected certain appliances at Messrs. Merryweathers and found them unsuitable for the purposes of the Board.

### **Lord Castle Stewart's dinner**

The Clerk was directed to convey the warm thanks of the Board to Lord Castle Stewart for his generous hospitality at the recent dinner and the steps which he has taken promoting good feeling between the Board and the Commoners.

Resolved that the recommendations of the Committee be approved and adopted.

## **Maresfield Committee**

The Maresfield Committee present the following report of their meeting held on the 23rd April 1930.

The Maresfield Committee met on April 23rd. Present Col. H. Combe, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Osborne and Mr. Haslam.

Application from Mr. Marsh for a sign post indicating the way to his house from the Nutley-Duddleswell Roads. As there are 2 or 3 other houses on the same road as "Ardens" the Committee suggests that the Clerk write to the other owners of property on that road, namely Miss Cooper Willis and Mr. Dyke, to ascertain whether they would like the names of their houses written on a sign post, and if so, then all the names could be written on the board, at a charge of 5/- for each name as was recently done at Fairwarp for Dr. Ormond and others. The same design of post and board to be adopted as in the above mentioned case. If, however, the other owners do not want the names of their houses to go on to a board, that Mr. Marsh pay 10/- for his signpost, the signpost to be erected at a point indicated by Kirby.

With regard to licenses for Miss Cooper Willis and Mr. Marsh, the Committee is under the impression that a license of £1:1:0 was granted to Mr. Jarvis, the original owner of "Ardens", for the road going to his house, and as that same road serves Miss Cooper Willis and Mr. Dyke they feel the license should be subdivided as follows:-  
Mr. Marsh 8/- Miss Cooper Willis 8/- Mr Dyke 5/-

### **Re Courtlands Estate, Nutley:**

As Lady Castle Stewart has not sold these plots, the Committee recommends that the license of 10/- per annum to be transferred to Mr. Arthur Wickham.

Subsidence of land used by the Military Authorities during the war near Poundgate Schools, Crowborough. The military used this land for a training centre and had an underground bomb store, with several passages leading to it. Four large holes which had been roughly filled in by the Military Authorities, have now become exposed, and there are some air vents to the passage, making the whole area exceedingly dangerous to man and beast. The Committee views this with great alarm. They have taken immediate steps to order a suitable notice board to be erected as early as possible with the following words pointed in red:- "Danger. This ground is all undermined and is liable to collapse".

Cost of board, upright and erection not to exceed 40/- and to be charged to Protection and Improvement Fund.

The Committee requests the Clerk to bring to the next Board meeting any correspondence with the Military Authorities relating to this area, and to write a letter to the Secretary of the Eridge Hunt warning him of the danger.

Geo D. Haslam. Chairman

Resolved that the report be received.

### **Pound Gate hole**

The Clerk reported that he can find no trace of any claim for compensation being made on the Military Authorities but called the attention of the Board to their Minutes of Meetings on the 19th March 1920 and 28th March 1920.

Resolved that the desirability of fencing the land be referred back to the Committee for consideration and report and the Clerk warn the school authorities of the danger.

Resolved (a) that the recommendations of the Committee as amended be approved and adopted (b) The necessary revocable licenses be in a form approved by the Clerk and upon payment of this proper charges.

Mr. Freshfield's application for re-metalling roads

Application was made by Mr. Douglas W. Freshfield for consent to re-metal to roads leading from Tompsetts Bank into Broadstone Warren between the points "B", "A" and "C" on the plan accompanying the application.

It was resolved that this matter be left to the Forest Row Committee with power to act.

### **Ranger Hatchett's house**

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from Messrs. Creasey Son & Wickenden (agents for Mr. Clough, owner of the Ranger's cottage) giving notice to determine the Board's tenancy on the 7th April; that after communicating with the Chairman arrangements were made with Mr. Clough to extend this notice for six weeks expiring 12th May. The instructions of the Board are asked to what steps shall be taken to provide the Ranger with accommodation.

Ranger Hatchett stated he had made full enquiries locally but cannot secure any suitable house.

Mr. Abbey offers the use of a cottage at Batts Bridge, Piltdown.

Resolved Mr. Abbey be thanked for his offer and that the Clerk be instructed to ascertain the terms from Mr Abbey's Agents and the matter be left to the Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of the Forest Row Committee with power to act.

### **Mount Pleasant Farm, Fairwarp**

The Clerk reports that he gave consent to the Post Office  
Telephones Department to lay an underground line to this property.

### **Litter cutting**

The Chairman asks the Board to take into consideration the desirability of extending the period within which litter may be cut under the Bye Laws. It is pointed out that this would involve an alteration in the Bye Law which is a matter of some difficulty unless various alterations can be put forward to the Home Office at the same time. Further action was therefore deferred.

### **Ranger Hatchett report**

Ranger Hatchett reported the removal of various gypsies vans and horses, that he has superintended fencing at Greenhall Toll and quarrying at Cherry Orchard. The Ladies' Golf Club started their extensions on 10th March and he has warned various motorist off private roads.

### **Ranger Kirby report**

Ranger Kirby reported the removal of various gypsies vans and horses, three fires burning 26½ acres which were extinguished under his superintendence; that he has completed the work on the bridge opposite to Ford's Green; superintended the dumping of soil on forest by Sir Henry Cowan, and the erection of various notice boards. That a notice board was missing at Millbrook, that the Maresfield Committee instructed him to erect a "danger" advice board near Pound Gate School.

Ranger Kirby reports that on the 21st April he saw Mr. William H. Holbird making tea on the forest with a lighted primus stove. On the instructions of the Chairman a letter has been written to the effect that the matter will come before the Board for their instructions at today's meeting.

Resolved that he be given the opportunity of paying the full penalty under the Bye Laws and failing satisfaction, proceedings be constituted against the offender.

### **Rate made**

The Clerk reports that the funds of the Conservancy as now exhausted, and having produced an estimate of the expenditure for the ensuing year amounting to £318, it is proposed by Mr. Haslam seconded by Mr. Dunning and unanimously resolved that a rate be made for defraying the expenses of the Conservators in the execution of their duties under the Award made under the provisions of the Inclosure Acts 1845 to 1878 and the Commons Regulation (Ashdown Forest) Provisional Order Confirmation Act 1885 to be levied upon the respective owners of the rights of common upon the forest at the rate of six pence per acre in respect of the acreage of their respective lands to which such rights attach, which owners and their respective acreages and the respective sums payable by them, are hereinafter, set out, namely.

Name	Address	Acreage	Amount £	s	d
Abbey, H.R.B. Esq.	Chelwood Corner, Chelwood Gate, East	92:1:0	2	6	6

	Grinstead				
Abbey, William Henry Esq.	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co., Lewes  (further parkland, late Pla*e)	938:0:3  57:0:0	24	18	0
Abbey & Sons, Messrs.	Kemp Town Brewery, Seymour Street, Brighton	21:1:9	0	11	0
Allfrey, The Misses	Wilmshurst, Fletching	12:3:20	0	6	6
Allitt, Mr. Alfred	Boringwheel Mill Farm, Maresfield	23:3:23	0	12	0
Anderson, Mrs. J.N.	Horney Common, Maresfield	2	0	1	0
Appleby Mr. Herbert	Ivy Cottage, Fords Green, Nutley	1:1:34	0	1	0
Appleby Mr. Horace	Hadlow Down, Uckfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Arbuthnot, Miss Dorothy, Arbuthnot W.R. Esq. Decd. The Repres, of	Forest Lodge, Sharpthorne, East Grinstead	12:1:8	0	6	6
Ashdown Forest Hotel Ltd.	The Proprietors, Forest Row	0:2:30	0	0	6
Ashdown Forest Ladies Golf Club	The Secretary, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Ashdown & General Land Company	C/o Messrs. Daniel Watney & Sons, 4a Fredericks Place, Old Jewry, London EC2 late C.B.D. Clarke	408:1:7	10	4	6
Askew, Mrs. A.	Sharpthorne House, West Hoathly	5:1:4	0	3	0
Attfield, Mrs. E.C.	Farm Close, Maresfield	0:1:13	0	0	6
Angemer, Mss Elise	The Clock House, Nutley (late Vokins)	7:0:26	0	4	0
Avis, Mrs Jessie & others	North Lodge Laundry, Horney Common, Maresfield	9:2:23	0	5	0
Avis, Mr Obadiah	The Hollies, Fryars Gate  Withyham	1:2:0	0	1	0
Bailey, Mrs.	Gena, Forest Row	0:1:0	0	0	6
Baines, Miss Isobel	Sunnyside, Hartfield	0:1:16	0	0	6
Baker, Mr. Charles	Chelwood Common Dane Hill Uckfield	3		1	6
Baker Mr. Elias	Chelwood Common Dane Hill Uckfield	2	0	1	0
Baker Mr. William	Chelwood Gate, Uckfield	2	0	1	0

Baldwin, Mr. Thomas	Hartfield Road, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Ballard & Co. Messrs.	Southover, Lewes	2:2:0	0	1	6
Barchard, Misses. A.E. & E.E.	Campfield Rough. Fairwarp, Uckfield	1:0:15	0	1	0
Barclay, Mr. Frank	Duddleswell House, Fairwarp (late Ephraim Wood)	1:2:0	0	1	0
Barnes, Mrs. Ada	Graddocks Farm, Hartfield (late Wallace) Ditto (late Edwards)	0:3:0 0:3:32	0	1	0
Barrie, Mr.	The Beeches, Maresfield Park, Maresfield (late Maresfield Park)	3:2:0	0	2	0
Bashford, Mr. George	Berlyn Farm, Quabrook< Forest Row	6:1:19	0	3	6
Bates, Mr. Arthur	Manor House, Maresfield Park, Maresfield (late Maresfield Park)	3:0:0	0	1	6
Bayley, Mr.	Dalevine, Maresfield Park, Maresfield (late M. Park)	3:0:0	0	1	6
Beach, Mrs. J.N.	The Winal, Forest Row	2	0	1	0
Beamish, Admiral T.P.H. C.B. R.N.	Chelworth, Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	57:1:17	1	9	0
Beckwith, Mrs S.H.	“Pilton”, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	0:0:20	0	0	6
Belfield, Mr. A.	Vale Cottage, Chelwood Gate, nr East Grinstead (late Box)	3	0	1	6
Belisha, Albert Isaac Esq.	Pixton Hill Farm, Forest Row	24	0	12	0
Bellingham, Mr. F.J.	Southern Cottage, Maresfield Park, Maresfield (late Maresfield Park)	[blank]	0	0	6
Bennett, Mr. George	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	3	0	1	6
Bennett, Mr. J.	Furners Green, Dane Hill, Uckfield	2	0	1	0
Best, Mr. A.	Dodds Bank, Nutley	21:0:21	0	11	0
Best, Mr. Enoch	Horney Common, Maresfield	0:1:14	0	0	6
Birch, Col. Edward M. C.B., D.S.O.	13 Moorpark Avenue, Preston	1:1:6	0	1	0
Birch, Fredk. Peregrine Esq., The Repres. of	C/o Richard Epps Esq., 149 ST. John’s Road, Tunbridge Wells	3:3:12	0	2	0

Bishop, Mr. Samuel & Son	Forest Row	1:1:0	0	1	0
Blackie, Alfred Esq.	Ulverstone, Marden Hill, Crowborough	2:0:0	0	1	0
Bond, Mr. John Herbert	Redeste, Birch Avenue, Haywards Heath (revised area)	3:2:0	0	2	0
Bond, Major W.C. OBE	Shalesbrook, Forest Row (late May & others) (late Seymour)	3:2:26  2:1:16  0:1:0			
Boulton & Dickins, Misses	Forest Row	1:0:0	0	0	6
Branston, Mr.	Near Lampool, Maresfield	7:1:29	0	4	0
Branwell, Charles Esq.	Bank Farm House, Chapel Lane, Forest Row (late Lewis)	1:2:0	0	1	0
Bridgwater, Miss	Hook Cottage, Forest Row	1:0:0	0	0	6
Brown, Mr. Alfred	Bank Farm Cottage, Forest Row	0:2:39	0	0	6
Brown, Mr. Alfred J.	Maresfield	22:3:39	0	11	6
Brown, Mr. Edward	229, Maresfield	0:0:39	0	0	6
Brown, Mr. F.G.A.	Maresfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Browning Mr. William	Chelwood Common Dane Hill Uckfield	9:2:0	0	5	0
Bull, The Reverend R.A.	St Andrews, Forest Row	36:1:20	0	18	6
Burdett, Mr. Jesse	Hill Top Cottage, Nutley	2:2:23	0	1	6
Burgess, Mr. Edward The Administrators of	c/o Mr. E.C. Burgess, 34 Brenda Road, Upper Tooting, London SW17	6:3:4	0	3	6
Burns, Mrs. Clementine	Andrews Bank, Colemans Hatch	3	0	1	6
Burns, L.B. Esq.	Sandhurst Cottage, Hartfield	5:0:14	0	3	0
Callingham, Miss	Iveridge, Forest Row (late Den*ry)	0:1:0	0	0	6
Campbell, Mr. & Mrs. John	Courtlands, Nutley	39:2:1	1	0	0
Carbutt, Mrs	Parrock Wood Cottage, Colemans Hatch (part Lines Farm))	0:3:5	0	0	6

Card, Mr. Abraham	Tompsetts Bank, Forest Row	1	0	0	6
Card, Mr. James	Shalesbrook Farm Forest Row	8	0 0	4	0 0
Carey, Wilfred Hardacre Esq.	Broomer Cottage, Forest Row	1	0	0	6
Carr, Mr. Henry	Fords Green, Nutley	0:2:0	0	0	6
Carr, Mr. William decd, The Repres. of	Coffee Hall, Nutley	0:0:28	0	0	6
Carter, Mr. A.E.	Old Forge Lane, Horney Common, Uckfield	3	0	1	6
Carver, Percy. W. Esq.	Courtlands, Sharpthorne, East Grinstead (late Cohen)	136:1:20	3	8	6
Castle Stewart, The Rt. Hon Earl of	Old Lodge, Nutley	23:0:7	0	14	0
Castle Stewart, Countess	Old Lodge, Nutley	11:1:30	0	6	0
Champneys, Sir F.H. Bart	Littlemead, Nutley	7:3:0	0	4	0
Chaplin, Mr. James	Upper Morgans Farm, Piltdown, nr. Uckfield	19:0:10	0	10	0
Chapman, Fitzroy Keith Esq.	Ashdown Place, Forest Row	8:1:28	0	4	6
Chapman, Miss	Resthaven, Maresfield Park, Maresfield (late M. Park)	1:0:0	0	0	6
Chatfield, Mr. Albert Hy.	Holly Farm, Piltdown (late W.H. Abbey)	1:3:0	0	1	0
Chilton, Mr. Alfred	144 High Street, Uckfield (late M.P. Estate)	3:1:30	0	2	0
Clarke Stephenson, Ralph	C/o Daniel Watney & sons  4a Frederick's Place, Old Jewry, EC2	190:1:13	4	15	6
Clarke, John P. Stephenson	Broadhurst Manor, Horsted Keynes	187	4	13	0
Clough, A.H. Esq.	C/o J.T. Marriott Esq., Estate Office, Brockenhurst, Hants  (late Cottingham & Parris)  (late Russell & Harding)	392:1:24  13:0:30  5:0:10	9	16	6
Coffin, Major Genl. Clifford	Rystest, Forest Row	2:0:36	0	1	6
Collier, Sir George	Water Farm, Colemans Hatch	4:2:26	0	2	6

Collingwood, Horatio Nelson Esq.	Ryst Wood House, Forest Row	4:1:32	0	2	6
Colville, Admiral The Hon Sir Stanley	Pixton, Forest Row	38:2:34	0	19	6
Combe, Lt. Col. Herbert	Parrock Wood, Colemans Hatch	12	0	6	0
Constable, Mrs. Lucy S.	Fords Bank, Horney Common, Uckfield	2:2:28	0	1	6
Corbett, Chas. Henry Esq.	Woodgate, Dane Hill Park Uckfield	248:1:24	6	4	6
Cottington, Mr. George	Reedings Farm, Maresfield	95:3:7	2	8	0
Cottington, Mr. W. Hy.	Streetfield Farm	37:3:17	0	19	0
Cottington, Mr. W. H & Parris, Chas J. Esq.	c/o C.J. Parris Esq., Crowborough	3:1:25	0	2	0
Cottington, Mr. L.E.	Heatherdene, Nutley, Uckfield	0:2:0	0	1	0
Cottington, Mr. W	Craven Bridge Farm, South Common, Chailey	3:1:10	0	2	0
Coupland, Richard	c/o Westminster Bank Ltd., Lothbury, EC2	1:0:20	0	1	0
Cowan, Sir W.H. Bart.	Crows Nest, Fairwarp	94:3:6	2	7	6
Cox, Lewis L. Esq.	Woodlands, Maresfield (late Wiffen)	12:0:0	6	0	0
Cox, Miss Naomi	*utlin Farm, Nutley  (late Nelson Turner)	9:0:35  3:0:0	0	6	6
Crosse, Edmund Mitchell	Broomhill, Crowborough	5:0:0	0	2	6
Crowhurst, Mrs. Wm. Senr.	Rosery Cottage, Hartfield	0:1:13	0	0	6
Cruttenden, Mr. C.H.	122 High Street, Uckfield	2:1:28	0	1	6
Curd, Mr. Samuel	Fords Bank, Horney Common, Uckfield	2:2:28	0	1	6
Curtis, Mrs. E.M.	Alton House, Redhill, Surrey	16	0	8	0
Dadswell, Mr. R.	C/o Miss Fullegar & H. Watson, Ballards Hill, Goudhurst, Kent	1	0	0	6



Daniel, Arthur Harvey Esq.	Sy***ies, Five Ashes, Mayfield	78:0:23	1	19	6
Darwin, Major Leonard R.E.	Cripps Corner, Forest Row	33:2:0	0	17	0
Dashwood, Mrs. Annie	Twyford, Nutley	1	0	0	6
Davies, Commander Richard V.C. R.N. D.S.O.	Wallhatch, Forest Row	2:2:0	0	1	0
Davis, Mr. J.S.	Redcot, Fairwarp, Uckfield	7:2:16	0	4	0
Dawson, Mr.	Selbourne 452 Upper Richmond Road, London SW15	0:2:8	0	0	6
Day, Mrs. R.	The Wincel, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Denman, Mrs. E.H.	Upper Totease, Buxted (main Lodge, Maresfield Park late)	3	0	0	6
Dennett. Mr. John	Piltdown Nursery, Uckfield	9:3:8	0	5	0
Dodd, Mrs.	C/o Mr George T. Martin, Forest Row	1:0:0	0	0	6
Douglas, Miss Charlotte Amy	5a Hartfield Road, Eastbourne	0:2:1	0	0	6
Dowson, Hugh Emerson, Esq.	Landhurst Wood, Hartfield,	8:0:24	0	4	6
Duckworth, Geo. H. Esq.	Dalingridge Place, East Grinstead	61:3:23	1	11	0
Eason, E. Hy Physick Esq.	192 Bishopsgate, London EC2	1:1:8	0	1	0
East Grinstead Gas & Water Co.	East Grinstead	1:3:0	0	1	0
East Sussex County Council	The County Accountant, County Hall, Lewes  (late Ephraim Wood)	83:1:13  0:1:0	2	2	0
Eckstein Frederick Esq.	C/o C. Bush Esq., 1 London Wall Buildings, EC2	285	7	2	6
Eden, A.F. Esq.	The Crossways, Hartfield	5:3:32	0	3	0
Edwards, Mrs. H.A.	Shawhurst Farm, Hartfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Edwards, Mrs Marion	Dewy Cottage, Cormongers Farm, South Nutfield, Redhill (late Cottingham & Parris)	7:2:2	0	4	0
Elliott, Mr. George	Harts Farm, Colemans Hatch	3	0	1	6
Erith, Arthur Esq.	Ashdown House, Forest Row	32	0	16	0

Faber, Alfred Esq.	Offerton, Forest Row, East Grinstead	3:0:16	0	2	0
Farmer, Mr. H.W.	Nutley	0:2:0	0	0	6
Ffolliott Esq.	9 Montague Gardens, Tunbridge Wells	26:8:8	0	13	6
Fooks, Philip Edward B. Esq.	St Meddens, St Paul's Cray Road, Chislehurst	48:3:26	1	4	6
Forrester (Miss) Fanny	Old Garden, Maresfield Park, Maresfield (late Maresfield Park)	12:0:0	0	6	0
Freeland, Mr. P.H.	Nutley, Uckfield	2:3:0	0	1	6
Freshfield, Douglas, W. Esq.	Wych Cross Place, Forest Row	262:1:15	6	11	6
Friend, Messrs, J. & H.	Wall Hill Farm, Forest Row	48	1	4	6
Fuller Miss  Millicent	Vaughans Fletching Uckfield	10	0	5	0
Funnell, Mr. Trayton	Oakhouse Farm, Dane Hill, Sussex	18:1:13	0	9	6
Furneaux, Sidney H. Esq.	Pound Gate Lodge, Crowborough	2:2:0	0	1	6
Fyfe, Miss Alice	Homesdale, Grove Park, Lee S.E.	5	0	2	6
Gasson Mrs. Agnes	Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	3:2:0	0	2	0
Gasson, Mr. Thomas	Chelwood Gate, East Grinstead	0:2:32	0	0	6
Gibb, Esq.	Putlands, Fairwarp	19:0:26	10	0	0
Gillham, Mr. E.J.	Nutley	0:2:0	0	0	6
Gleichen, Major General Lord Edward	Court-in-Holmes, Forest Row	20:0:0	0	10	0
Glover, Mrs. Maude	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	0:0:25	0	0	6
Godfrey, William Esq.	Mudbrooke Farm, Forest Row	103:3:10	2	12	6
Godley, The Rt. Hon. Hugh John	C/o The Rt. Hon. Lord Kilbracken, South Hartfield House, Colemans Hatch	65:2:26	1	13	0
Goldsmiths' Company		117:3:10	2	19	0
Gordon, Mrs. Dora H.	Domaha, Forest Row East Grinstead	5:1:36	0	3	0

Grover, Mr. Bernard	Nutley	5:2:13	0	3	0
Grover, Mr. Percy Alwyn	Grovers Farm, Piltdown, nr. Uckfield	4:2:0	0	2	6
Gwilham Mrs Alice Edith	Lower Parrock, Hartfield	91:3:0	2	6	0
Hale Miss F.A.	c/o Messrs. Turner, Rudge & Turner. East Grinstead				
Halsey, W.H. Esq.	Hillside, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	1:0:29	0	1	0
Hambro, Capt. R. Olaf	Kidbrooke Park, Forest Row	242:0:28	6	1	6
Hardinge, The Rt. Hon. Sir A.H. GCMG, KCB	Cold Harbour, Forest Row, Sussex	5:3:19	0	3	0
Hardy, H.R.	Danehurst Estate Office, Horsted Keynes	256:3:35	6	8	0
Harman, Mr. G.	Butcher, East Grinstead	496:1:16	12	8	6
Harmsworth, Vyvyan G. Esq.	c/o W.H. Holden Esq., Valley Holme, Horsted Keynes, Sussex	60:0:18	1	10	6
Harrison, Mrs. Maud	Spyways, Hartfield	5	0	2	6
Harvey, Mrs Katharine	"Wroth Tyes" Hartfield	9:3:20	0	5	0
Haslam, George D. Esq.	Danehurst, Uckfield	44:2:35	1	2	6
Hayllar, Frank H. Esq.	41 Marlborough Place, Brighton	6:2:28	0	3	6
Hazelden, Mr. Joseph	Toll Farm, Fairwarp	1	0	0	6
Head, F.H.	Goldstrow, Piltdown, Uckfield	10	0	5	0
Head, Mr. John decd. The Repres. of	C/o Mrs. S. Agnes Head, Mount Pleasant, Ashurst Wood, East Grinstead	49:3:2	1	5	0
Heasman Mrs. C., Heasman, Sarah and Heasman, Isabella	c/o Mrs. Isabella Heasman, Stone Cottage, Friars Gate, Withyham	2:2:0	0	1	6
Heasman, Mr. Christopher decd, the Exors of	c/o Mrs. C. Heasman, Inholmes Farm, Colemans Hatch	3:2:20	0	2	0

Heasman, Mr. Philip	The Homestead, Friars Gate, Sussex Late Willis before Thos. Ashdown	3:2:0	0	2	0
Heasman Mr. William	Little Furnace Farm, Colemans Hatch	3	0	1	6
Heath, Miss Daisy	Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Heath, Mr. Joseph Benjamin	Hamilton Terrace, Forest Row	3	0	1	6
Heathcote Smith C.E. Esq.	c/o T.H. Hayllar Esq., 41 Marlborough Place, Brighton (late W.H. Abbey)	3:3:34	0	2	0
Hemsley, Mr. Thomas	102 Framfield Road, Uckfield	0:1:19	0	0	6
Hemsley, Mr. William	Isfield Mill, Isfield	0:1:0	0	0	6
Henriques, J. Q. Esq.	1 Paper Buildings, Temple, London EC4	6:2:13	0	3	6
Henry, Mrs.	The Laurels, Nutley	0:0:3	0	0	6
Hérons Ghyll Estates Ltd.	C/o Messrs. Powell & Co., Lewes (late Hope)	520:3:0	13	0	6
Hill, Mr. W.H.	Poplar Farm, Herons Ghyll nr. Uckfield	2:0:0	0	1	0
Hoare, Alfred	37 Fleet St. London E.C	101	2	10	6
Hoath, Mrs. Amos	Moor Farm, St John's, Crowborough	1	0	0	6
Hobbs, Mr. D.E.	Blackven Farm, Horney Common, Uckfield	14:1:5	0	7	6
Hobbs, Mr. James	Blackven Farm, Horney Common, Uckfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Hollamby, Mr. J.	Sillwood Place, Forest Row	0:0:11	0	0	6
Hollamby, Mr. W.	Forest Row	0:0:16	0	0	6
Hopkins, W.J.	Rotan Bungalow, Fairwarp	3	0	1	6
Horgan, Mr. Edmund A.	Sunnyside, Maresfield	6:3:39	0	3	6
Horscraft, Mr. Thomas	Nutley	0:1:0	0	0	6
Hounsom Wm. Allin Esq.	41 New Church Road, Brighton	28	0	14	0
Hudson, Mr. James	Smithy Cottage, Colemans Hatch	0:3:0	0	0	6
Huntley, Edward Esq.	Crowborough Warren, Crowborough (late Welfare)	3:0:0	1	6	0

Ince, Revd. J.B.C.	The Vicarage, Fairwarp, Uckfield	1	0	0	6
Ireland, Mr.	Maresfield Park, Maresfield (late M. Park)	5:0:0	0	2	6
Izzard, Mr. Wm. dec'd. The Exors of	3 Gladstone Road, Crowborough	1	0	0	6
Jackson, Mr. Arthur	Forest Row	0:0:20	0	0	6
Jenkins, Mr. Alfred J.	Maresfield	1:2:2	0	1	0
Jenner & Brown, Messrs.	Oast House Cottages, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Johnson, W. Claud Esq.	Broadstone, Colemans Hatch	13:2:26	0	7	06
Jordan, Mr. Albert	Butcher, Lingfield, Surrey	0:1:0	0	0	6
Keeling, Mr. John	Glenwyn, Piltdown, Uckfield	0:2:24	0	0	6
Kennard, Lt. Col. A.C.H.	Courtmead, Forest Row	3:1:0	0	2	0
Kenward, Mrs.	Mount Pleasant Farm, Fairwarp	3:0:0	0	1	6
Kent, Sir Stephenson KCB	The Secretary, Chapelwood Manor, Nutley	322:1:31	8	1	6
Kenward, Mr. Edward	Budletts, Maresfield	2	0	1	0
Kenward, Mrs. J.	Piltdown, Uckfield	100:0:0	2	10	0
Kenward, Mr. Robert	Little Sharpe, Piltdown, Uckfield	74	1	17	0
Kerr Trefusis, Mrs	35 Portland Place, London W1. Corrected area	5:2:0	0	3	0
Killick Mr. S.	The Barn, Hartfield	0:1:0	0	0	6
Kindersley, Sir R.S.	15 Charles Street, Berkeley Square W1	92	2	6	0
King, Cyril A. Esq.	Twitten Hatch, Turner's Green, Uckfield	3:0:36	0	4	6
Kingsford, John Esq.	Ryst Wood Lodge, Forest Row	4:2:30	0	2	6
Kirby, Mr. Ernest	Fords Green, Nutley	0:0:21	0	0	6
Kirby, Mr. & Mrs. Geo.	Horney Common, Maresfield	1:0:0	0	0	6
Kirby, Mr. Herbert	Fords Green, Nutley	0:1:0	0	0	6
Lack, Dr.	Brown House, Forest Row	1:1:29	0	1	0
Lambert, G.N. Esq.	53 Fairfield Rd., Saxmundham, Suffolk	4:2:0	0	2	6

Langridge, Mr. Enoch	Dane Hill, Uckfield	1:2:0	0	1	0
Lapage, Dr.	Forest Row	1	0	0	6
Larnach- Nevill, Mrs.	C/o Messrs. Turner, Rudge & Turner, East Grinstead	361:0:30	9	1	0
Last, W. Courthope Esq.	The Pond Cottage, Hartfield	11:3:34	0	6	0
Lawrence, Sir Walter Bart.	Runces Farm, Birch Grove, East Grinstead)	2:1:26	0	1	6
Legsheath Farm Ltd.	The Secretary, 34 Nicholas Lane, Lombard Street EC1	70:2:22	1	15	6
Leeland-White M.J. Esq.	Stonehouse Farm, Forest Row (late Hyde)	33:2:0	0	17	0
Linshill, Mr. T.H.	Builder, Crowborough Road, Nutley	6:1:12	0	3	6
Loftus, Lt. Col. Douglas	Nutley Court, Nutley	18:2:5	0	9	6
Lomax, Miss Alice	Heather View, Fairwarp	14:3:13	0	7	6
Longley, Mr. C. J.	Ruthcote, Crawley, Sussex	[blank]			
Longley & Waters, Messrs.	Forest Row	35:1:10	1	0	6
Lott, Kenneth W.M. Esq.	Maresfield Lodge, Maresfield (late Maresfield Park)	1:0:0	0	0	6
Lucas, Mrs. Alice	Bramblehurst, Ashurst Wood, East Grinstead	43:0:6	1	2	0
Lucas, F. R. Esq.	Streeters Rough, Chelwood Gate, Uckfield	29:1:13	0	15	0
Lumsden, Robert Jas. Esq.	Wretham Lodge, Forest Row	4:1:0	0	2	6
Macfarlane, Mr. J.	Cophall, Fairwarp (late M. Card)	16:0:0	0	8	0
Macmillan, Harold Esq.	Per Mrs. H. Macmillan, 52 Cadogan Place, SW	57:1:11	1	9	0
Madden, Lady	Broadstone, Forest Row	3:8:20	0	2	0
Manners, Mrs. J. T.	Bankside, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5	0	2	6
Mansbridge, Mr. James	Spring View, Forest Row	0:0:20	0	0	6
Marchant, Mr. Thomas	Cackle Street, Maresfield	5	0	2	6
Maresfield, The Rector of (The Rev. A.C. Ryder)	The Rectory, Maresfield (by agreement)	3:3:3	0	2	0

Maresfield Village Hall	The Secretary, Maresfield (Village Hall)	0:0:3	0	0	6
Marsden, James.	Hurst Wood House, Hurst Wood, Buxted	3:2:0	0	2	0
Marsh, Mr. Wm. Chas	Lower Morgans Farm, Piltown nr. Uckfield	16:0:3	0	8	6
Marsh, Sidney	Ardens, Nutley (formerly Albert Turner)	8:3:19			
Marshall, Rev. Douglas Hamilton	Ovingdean Hall, Ovingdean, Brighton (late May & others)	0:3:11	0	0	6
Martin, Alfred	Coach & Horses, Dane Hill, Uckfield	4:1:0	0	2	6
Martin, Edward	Woodcote, Forest Row	1:1:28	0	1	0
Martin, Mr. Frederick	Coach & Horses, Dane Hill, Uckfield	4	0	2	0
Maryon-Wilson, Geo. M. Esq.	Searles, Fletching, Uckfield	1214:3:26	30	7	6
Mashette, Esq.	Dennis Cross, Hook Heath, Woking	5	0	2	6
Maude, Mrs. A.	C/o Mrs. Maude, Forest Edge, Forest Row	1:2:0	0	1	0
May, Paul Stanley Esq. & others.	C/o Messrs Finnis Downey Linnell & Chessher, 5 Clifford Street, London	5:2:39	0	3	0
Maynard, Edward F. Esq. M.P.	14 Salisbury Road, Hove (late M.P. Estate)	0:1:24	0	0	6
McLachlan, J.M. Esq.	Forest Lodge, Horney Common, Uckfield	16:1:5	0	8	6
Meux, H.E. Esq.	29 Lamb Street, EC	4:2:16	0	2	6
Miles, Mr. Henry	Pitlands Farm, Hartfield	4:1:13	0	2	6
Miles, Mrs. L.A.G.	Danehill, Uckfield	15:3:26	0	8	0
Miller, Mr. Joseph	The Barracks, Maresfield	1:0:17	0	1	0
Miller, Lt. Col. G.R.	Prickets Hatch, Nutley	33:0:36	0	17	0
Mitchell, Mr. Alfred	Brook Cottage, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Mitchell, Mr. Frank	Nutley	0:2:0	0	0	6
Mitchell, Mr. William & Eliza Brett	Roebuck Farm, Wych Cross, Forest Row	1:1:0	0	1	0
		0:1:10	0	0	6
Morrice, Norman	65 Gresham House, Old Broad Street, London EC2	1:1:24	0	1	0
Morphew, Mr. George	Forest Bank, Nutley (revised area)	3:0:0	0	1	6

Morris, Major	Fire Brigade HQ Southwark Bridge Road, London SE1 (late Arthur Taylor)	6:1:31	0	3	6
Morris, Miss J.V.	Bracklay Cottage, Fairwarp. Uckfield  Ditto (late Maresfield Park Estate)	18:1:26	0	9	6
Musgrave, Mrs. M.R.	Grey Timbers, Maresfield Park, Maresfield (late M. Park)	1:0:0	0	0	6
Needham, Col. Charles	Tylehurst, Forest Row	58	1	9	0
Neild, Dr.	Shaw Cottage, Hartfield	[blank]			
Nettlefold, Frederick John	C/o Messrs Turner, Rudge & Turner, East Grinstead  (late Marriott)	54:3:8  65:0:17	3	0	0
Noble, Percy G. Esq.	36 Oakhill Road, East Putney SW15 (late Young)	18:2:0	0	9	6
Norman, Mr. Henry The Repres. of	Fairwarp	6	0	3	0
Oldham, Miss H.	Graystone, Crowborough	5:2:0	0	3	0
Osborne. Mr. George	Church Cottage, Nutley	2:2:0	0	1	6
Osborne, Mrs. Mahala	Duddleswell, Fairwarp	4:0:11	0	2	6
Osborne, Mr. Thomas and Harriet his wife	Nutley, Uckfield	17:2:0  17:0:0	0  0	9  8	0  6
Osborne, Mr. William and Elizabeth his wife	Foresters Arms, Fairwarp, Uckfield,	15:2:18  14:2:0	0	15	6
Owen, Jas. L. Esq.	C/o Messrs. Turner, Rudge & Turner	312:2:20	7	16	6
Owen, Mrs. B.P.	North Cottage, Maresfield Park, Maresfield (late M. Park)	5:0:0	0	2	6
Oxley, William	Posingford, Hartfield	28:1:8	0	14	6
Parker-Jervis, Miss	Forest Cottage, Horney Common, Uckfield (late Walls)	4:0:0	0	2	0
Parry, Miss E.C.	Dodds Grove, Nutley	9:2:10	0	5	0
Parsons, Miss Muriel	Mouse Hole, Forest Row, Sussex	1:2:19	0	1	0
Pearless, Sydney H.	Fairlight Farm, East Grinstead	140:0:0	3	10	0



Esq.					
Penfold, Mr Harry.	Lisburne, Nutley	18:3:33	0	9	6
Penfold, Mr. John B.	Newlands Cottage, Horney Common	0:3:0	0	0	6
Penfold, Mr. Joseph	17 Church Street, Maresfield	0:1:14	0	0	6
Penfold, Mrs. Julia Sarah	Horney Common, Maresfield	2:2:0	0	1	6
Philcox, Mr. George	Portobello, Colemans Hatch	2:2:0	0	1	6
Phillips, Mrs.	The Green, Forest Row	0:1:0	0	0	6
Phillips The Rev. J.S. MA	The Vicarage, Nutley	4	0	2	0
Phillis, Mrs.	Ashdown Cottage, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Phoenix Temperance Orphanage Ltd.	Per Mr. A. Powell, Hon. Sec., 85 Southgate Road, Islington.	0:0:20	0	0	6
Piltdown Golf Club	The Hon. Secretary, Piltdown Common, Uckfield	8:2:22	0	5	0
Place, Thomas Esq.	[blank]				
Playford, Miss Agnes	Harlie, Forest Row	0:0:16	0	0	6
Portman, the Hon. Henry Oakeley	C/o Messrs. Powell & Co., Lewes (l	212:0:18	5	6	6
Pryce, Mrs. Margaret	Spring Mead, Forest Row (late Shute)	1	0	0	6
Ralph, Mr. W.H.	30 Purley Oaks Road, Sanderstead, S. Croydon, Surrey (late Cottingham & Ferris)	3	0	1	6
Rawlings, G.H. Esq.	Little Denstone, Forest Row	28	0	14	0
Raymond, T.	“Yew Hedge”, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Reed, Mrs Emma	Bank Cottage, Forest Row	2:2:0	0	1	6
Reed, Mr. Henry	Rock Bungalow, Old Forge, Horney Common, Uckfield	1:0:0	0	0	6
Ridley, Mr. A.J.	Horney Common, Maresfield	1	0	0	6
Ridley, Mr. Alvey J.	Nether Farm, Nutley	1:2:21	0	1	6
Ridley, Mr. F.T.	Nutley	0:0:15	0	0	6
Ridley, Mr. Harry	Sandfield Farm, Mark Beech, nr. Edenbridge	0:1:8	0	0	6

Ridley, Mr. Harry	Hilltop, Nutley	8:1:29	0	4	6
Ridley, Mr. Henry	Nutley	0:1:32	0	0	6
Ridley, Mr. H.J.	Whitehouse Farm, Horney Common formerly Noble	6:2:3 0:2:32	0	4	0
Ridley, Mrs. Lucy Rose	Whitehouse Farm, Horney Common	19:2:26	0	10	0
Ridley, Miss Rose	Whitehouse Farm, Horney Common	1:3:38	0	1	0
Ridley, Mr. Spencer	Millbrook, Nutley	12:2:0	0	6	6
Ridley, Mr. Sylvanus	C/o Messrs. St. John Smith & Son, Uckfield	26:0:6	0	13	6
Riley, Mrs.	Nutley	3:1:28	0	2	0
Roberts, H.	Lauriston, Danehill, Uckfield	11:0:0	0	5	6
Rogers, Miss Edith C.	Lyndhurst, Browns Brook, Fairwarp	0:2:24	0	0	6
Rowe, John Esq.	R.A.F. Golf Club, Forest Row	0:1:13	0	0	6
Rumbold, Miss Katharine	C/o W.R. Rumbold, 829 Salisbury House, London EC2	4:2:0	0	2	6
Sadler, Col.	Tea Gardens, Maresfield Park, Maresfield (late Maresfield Park)	1:0:0	0	0	6
Salcombe, Mr. William	Bridge Hotel, Uckfield				
Sargeant, Mrs.	Newport, De La Warr Road, East Grinstead	1	0	0	6
Saunders, Mr. Harry  Saunders, Mrs. Harry	Hawthorn, Forest Row,	0:1:3 0:1:0 0:1:1	0	1	0
Saunders, P. Gordon	6 Mount Street, Grosvenor Square W1	2:3:9	0	1	6
Saville, Miss & Sturdy, Miss	Shepherds Gate, Colemans Hatch (late Edwards)	5:1:0 0:3☺	0	3	0
Sayton, H.G. Esq.	Tablehurst Farm, Forest Row (late Capt. Law)	218:0:24	5	9	6
Sayers, Mr. Thos.	Post Office, Forest Row,	0:1:0	0	0	6
Scott, Mr. Alfred James	Putlands Farm, Duddleswell (late Mrs. Harding)	0:2:0	0	0	6
Scott, Mrs. Hannah	Duddleswell, Uckfield	0:2:0	0	0	6

Scott, Mr. Wallis	Dodds Bank, Nutley (late Albert Osborne)	0:3:15	0	0	6
Sewell, Miss & Meyes, Miss Katherine	Solvane, Birch Grove, East Grinstead (late De Lutteshaw & Meyer)	6:3:1	0	3	6
Shakerley Ackers, G.H. Esq.	Moreton Hall, Duddleswell, Uckfield	12:0:0	0	6	0
Shawcross, Mr. John	Duddleswell, Fairwarp, Uckfield (late Ephraim Wood)	1	0	0	6
Shelford, W.H. Esq.	Horncastle, E. Grinstead	22:2:26	0	11	6
Shepherd, S.D. Esq.	Claypit Farm, Colemans Hatch	[blank]			
Shoebridge, Mr. Thomas	Nutley	11:0:24	0	6	0
Simmonds, Mrs.	Lampool Corner, Maresfield (late Cottingham & Parris)	1	0	0	6
Sinclair, Mr. George	Hazel Cottage, Dormans Land, Lingfield, Surrey	0:1:0	0	0	6
Sinclair, Capt.	Victoria Villas, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	0:0:21	0	0	6
Sinden, Mr. Reginald	Cherry Orchard, Browns Brook, Fairwarp	9:2:0	0	5	0
Sitford, Mr. J.	Hartfield Road, Forest Row, (late Longley & Waters)	5:0:0	0	2	6
Skinner, Sir Sydney	Meadow Entry, C***** Road, Ealing W5	8	0	4	0
Skipworth, Mr. L.	Gate House Farm, Maresfield (late S*****)	[blank]			
Smallwood, J.E. Esq.	20 Blatchington Road, Hove	1:0:0	0	0	6
Smith, A. Russell Esq.	Holly Grange, Forest Row	4:0:16	0	2	6
Snelgrove, John Sidney Esq.	The Plottage, Forest Row	18:2:0	0	9	6
Soames, Arthur Gilstrap Esq.	c/o John Edward Eggleton Esq., Estate Office, Sheffield Park, Uckfield	950:0:10	23	15	6
Sparrow, Mrs.	C/o Arthur Hunt, Esq., 24 Haymarket SW1 (formerly Albert Turner)	[blank]			
Sprott, Frank Walter Esq.	Mayfield, Sussex	7:0:34	0	4	0
Sprott Herbert Esq. & Hart, George E. Esq.	c/o Herbert Sprott, Esq., Solicitor, Crowborough	21:0:14	0	11	0

Stephens, Mr. Nelson G.	Marlpits, Nutley	3	0	1	6
Sterling, Miss F.M.	Home Wood, Hartfield	5:2:0	0	3	0
Stevenson, Mr. Frank	Little Shelf, Nutley	1:0:0	0	0	6
Stevenson, Mrs. Mary Ann	Collingford, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5:2:0	0	3	0
Stevenson, Mr. Richard	The Shaw, Nutley	5:0:0 4:0:1	0	2	6
Stevenson, Mr. Stephen	Little Shelf, Nutley	11:1:13	0	6	0
Stevenson, Mr. W.H.	Claypit Cottage, Nutley	1	0	0	6
Stoner, Mr. T.J.	27 Firle Road, Eastbourne	4:2:1	0	2	6
Streatfeild, R.J. Esq.	c/o Messrs. Powell & Co. Lewes	107:1:5	2	14	0
Streeter, Mr. William	Lower Whitehouse Farm, Horney Common, Uckfield	13:2:0	0	7	0
Stuart, Mr.	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield (late Mrs. Miles)	1:0:0	0	0	6
Swann, Edw. Arthur Esq.	The Grove, Woodhurst Road, Oxted,	2:0:24	0	1	6
Sydenham, Dr. Geo. Mervyn	Chelwood Common, Uckfield	1	0	0	6
Tamplin & Sons Brewery Brighton Ltd	Phoenix Brewery, Brighton	8:2:0	0	4	6
Tasker, Mr. George	Little Furnace Farm, Colemans Hatch (late Wm. Heasman)	3:0:0	0	1	6
Taylor, F.G. Esq.	Dad Croft, Hartfield (late Thomas)	0:3:18	0	0	6
Taylor Mr. George	Old Workhouse, Fairwarp, Uckfield	10	0	5	0
Taylor, Mr. James	3 Fairview Cottages, 58 St John's Road Crowborough	0:1:16	0	0	6
Taylor, Mrs. John	Nutley	0:1:0	0	0	6
Taylor, Mrs. John	Henley House, Uckfield  (late Bond formerly M. Park Estate)	0:2:0 3:2:0	0	2	0

Taylor, Mr. Thomas	Hartfield Road, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Taylor, Mrs.		0:1:0	0	0	6
Tester, Mr. Frederick	Post Office, Maresfield	0:1:25	0	0	6
Thomas, G.H. Esq.	The Lindens, Oxford Road, Newbury, Berks	1:1:20	0	1	0
Thornton, The Hon. M.A.	Stone House, Forest Row	5:2:	0	3	0
Tomlins, E. Frazer Esq.	83 Furnival Street, London EC4	7:0:24	0	4	0
Tomsett, Mr.	Standen, Forest Row	0:2:0	0	0	6
Tosetti, M.A. Esq.	Cookhams, Horsted Keynes	34:0:0	0	17	0
Tull-Hart Thos.	4 Gloucester Place, Brighton	4:2:17	0	2	6
Turner Albert Esq. Decd The repres of; Turner, Alfred	c/o Albert Turner Esq., Holme, Lewes	30	0	15	0
Turner, Mr. Charles	Millbrook, Nutley (late Card)	10	0	5	0
Turner Mr Edward	Walnut Tree Inn, Brenchley	1	0	0	6
Turner, Mr. George	Stone Hill Farm, Nutley	2:0:38	0	1	6
Turner. Mr. Nelson	Nutley	0:1:24	0	0	6
Turner, Mr. T	Gardener, Marl pits, Nutley (formerly Albert Turner)	[blank]			
Turner Mrs. William	Nutley	1	0	0	6
Tyler, Mr. Allen	Horney Common, Uckfield	10:1:0	0	2	6
Tyler Mr. Luther	Fairwarp	5:1:16	0	3	0
Underwood, Mrs. Frederick	Post Horn Lane, Forest Row	1	0	0	6
Upton, Mr. Edward	Maresfield	0:1:0	0	0	6
Verner, Mrs.	Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	12	0	6	0
Wadsworth, Mrs. Fanny	Dairy Farm, Maresfield Park, Maresfield (late Maresfield Park)	18	0	9	0
Walker, Mr.	Maresfield Park, Maresfield (late M. Park)	5	0	2	6
Walker, Miss Hester M.	C/o Messrs. Shain, Roscoe, Massey & Co., 8 Bedford Row, London, WC1	1:2:1	0	1	0
Walker, Dr. Spencer L.	Old Stone House, East Grinstead (late R.H. Stevenson)	4:2:26	0	2	6

Wallis, Mr. E. Alfred	4 Sillwood Place, Crowborough	2	0	1	0
Wallis Mrs Reginald.	The Forge, Rotherfield	2	0	1	0
Walsham, Mrs. Edith	Warrenside, Forest Row	2	0	1	0
Walter, Mr. Alfred	Fairwarp	1	0	0	6
Walter, Mrs. Ellen	Fairwarp	2	0	1	0
Walter Mr. John	Dodds Bank, Nutley	3	0	1	6
Waters Messrs Geoffrey & Harold	Burnt House Farm, Forest Row	46:2:0 33:1:35	2	0	0
Waters, Messrs. H. & E.	Highgate, Forest Row	4:3:36 58:3:23	0 1	2 9	6 6
Waters Mr. James	Forest Row	0:2:8	0	0	6
Watkins, Miss E.M.	“Walcot”, Walpole Road, Brighton	1:0:0	0	0	6
Weeding, Mr. Jesse	Low Cottage, Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	0:1:0	0	0	6
Weeks, Mr. Fredk Robt	Forest Hotel, Forest Row	0:3:20	0	0	6
Wheatley Mr. Charles	Whitehouse Bank, Chuck Hatch, Hartfield	3	0	1	6
Wheatley, Mr. Frederick	Colemans Hatch	0:2:0	0	0	6
Wheatley Mr. Henry	Nutley	0:1:0	0	0	6
Wheatley Mr. Joseph	Colemans Hatch	4	0	2	0
Wheatley Mr. William	Nutley	0:2:13	0	0	6
Wheeler Mr. Charles	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	5	0	2	6
White, Mr	Norlington Villa, London Road, Burgess Hill	0:0:11	0	0	6
White, Mr. Samuel	Whitehill Cottage, Forest Row	0:1:0	0	0	6
Whitfield, Miss	Nr. Gate House Farm, Maresfield (late ***)	11	0	5	6
Whitewood, Mr. Percy	Post Office, Nutley	2	0	1	6
Wickens Mr.	Chelwood Common, Dane Hill, Uckfield	45:1:0	1	3	0

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Wickens Mr. Spencer Snr.  Exors;	C/o Messrs. Hunt, Currey, Nicholson & Co., Lewes	15	0	7	6
Wickham, Mr. Charles A.	Maresfield	0:2:0	0	0	6
Wickham, Mr. Humphrey	Pock Hill, Forest Row	7	0	3	6
Willett, Arnold T. Esq.	2 Little Dean's Yard, Westminster SW1	12:2:0	0	6	6
Williamson, Geo. F. Esq.	Ashdowne, Hartfield	5:0:15	0	3	0
Willock, Mrs. Mary	Lampool Farm, Maresfield.	10:1:14	0	5	6
Wilmott, Mr.	Victoria Villas, Chapel Lane, Forest Row	0:0:21	0	0	6
Wilson, Mrs. B.	Summerford, Fairwarp	4	0	2	0
Wilson Mr. Edward	Mount Pleasant, Oldlands, Maresfield. Uckfield	1	0	0	6
Wombwell, Mr.	Marshalls Manor. Maresfield (late Abbey)	[blank]			
Wood, Mrs. E.M.	The Hollies, 9 Bennett Park, Blackheath, SE	30:3:0	0	15	6
Wood, Mr. Frederick	Fair Place Farm, Nutley	26:2:5	0	13	6
Wood, Mr. H.	Nutley	0:1:19	0	0	6
Wood, Mr. Jesse decd. The Repres of	C/o Messrs. Turner & Jones., Solicitors, East Grinstead	11:2:0	0	6	0
Young, Miss Florence, the Exors of	Bix Cottage, Maresfield	0:1:25	0	0	6

## Finances

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books which show balances hand as follows:

General Account	£59:2:1
2nd Ranger Fund	£52:6:0
Protection and Improvement Fund	£85:18:8

Resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:-

Herbert Kirby, Ranger 11 weeks salary

at £2:10:0 to today

Ditto

to ditto

£27:10:0

House rent @ 5/- per week

£2:15:0

Ditto

Employers Insurance      £0:15:7

		£31:0:7
Hatchett J.W. 2nd Ranger 11 weeks salary		
at £2 per week to today	£22:0:0	
Ditto	Employers Insurance	£0:15:7
		£22:15:7

Creasey Son & Wickenden 19 weeks rent of 2nd Ranger's Cottage to 12th May	£9:19:6
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Also that the following sums be drawn from the Protection and Improvement Fund:

for sleepers for footbridge at Forest Bank	£0:7:6	
Post Office Telephones for ¼ year to June 30 or calls for Kirby		£1:16:1
Ditto	Hatchett	£2:3:5
Sun Insurance Office. Additional premium for Rangers motor cycles to include pillion riding for the year ending 10th inst.	£6:15:0	
Ditto. Premium for the year to 10th April 1931 (all risks)		£20:15:9
Ridley F.J. 2 new tyres and petrol for Ranger Kirby's cycle		£3:11:10
C.E. Martin for Ranger Hatchett's cycle		£0:16:6

	£36:6:1
and out of the Fire Prevention Fund	
East Grinstead Observer, advertisement	£0:14:0

### **Ashdown Forest Ladies Golf Club application**

Application for permission was made: (a) To grass over a short piece of metalled road in the vicinity of Broadstone Warren.

- (b) to enclose for a few weeks the new greens with rabbit netting.
- (c) to place a shed on the forest for the storage of tools.

It was resolved that the last two applications be not entertained and that the first mentioned be referred to the Forest Row Committee for consideration and report.

### **The Press**

Various members of the Board call attention to the unsatisfactory reports of the meetings which appear in the forest press and the behaviour of the representatives at today's meeting

The desirability of extending the press and the preparation by the Clerk of a précis of the proceedings for insertion was considered and referred to the Clerk for report.

Sir H. Cowan's application for "No Parking" notices

A letter was read from Sir Henry Cowan applying for a licence to erect two "No parking" boards on the Forest in the neighbourhood of Crows Nest.

Resolved that the application be approved on payment of an annual acknowledgement of 2/6 per board, the work to be carried out and position of the board settled to the satisfaction of Ranger Kirby.

It was resolved that the next meeting of the board be held on Wednesday the 16th day of July 1930.

The meeting terminated at 5.15 p.m.

H.R. Hardy  
Chairman



**A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Shelley Arms Hotel, Nutley, on Wednesday the 16th day of July 1930 at 3 p.m.**

Mr. H. Ronald Hardy Chairman  
Admiral the Hon. Sir. Stanley Colville G.C.B. Vice Chairman.  
Colonel Charles Needham  
Lt. Col. H. Combe D.S.O.  
Mr. James Card.  
Mr. James Dunning  
Mr. G.D. Haslam  
Mr. Geo. M. Maryon-Wilson  
Mr. William Mitchell  
Mr. James Osborne and  
Mr. J.J. Brunskill representing Earl de la Warr.

The Board went into Committee for the consideration of the following matters:

**Press**

- (a) The Clerk reports that he has looked into the matter of the attendance of the press, and having regard to the Act of 1908 he is of opinion that the press is entitled to be admitted to the meetings of the Board who are a local body authorised to make a rate, but that they could be excluded temporarily by resolution of the board when special business was being dealt with, and advisable in the public interest.

Resolved that the press be admitted to the meetings and asked to make their reports as full and accurate as possible. The members of the press were informed of this resolution after the Board went out of committee.

**Town Planning**

- (b) The Honorary Secretary of the Northern Area East Sussex Joint Town Planning Advisory Committee forwarded a proof copy of the Committee's draft report for the observations of the Board. The Clerk reports that the scheme proposes to extend the area of the open spaces by the inclusion of a large number of woods and warrens adjoining the Forest, and had discussed the matter with the Chairman. They had subsequently interviewed the Mr. McIlveen the Hon. Secretary of the Committee. Mr. Maryon-Wilson a member of the advisory committee explained that the committee were only acting in an advisory capacity, and that each Local Authority was responsible for town planning its own district. That it would be a consideration before the scheme came into separation assuring that it was approved by the various Councils.

It was resolved that a special Committee consisting of the Chairman and the Chairman of each District committee should meet to consider the matter and report.

The Board then went out of Committee.

The Minutes of the last meeting are read confirmed and signed.

An apology for absence was received from Mr. W.H. Abbey.

The Clerk reported that Sir Stanley Colville had accepted the Vice Chairmanship of the Board for the current year. On the proposition of Mr. Maryon-Wilson it was resolved that the Vice Chairman of the Board for the time being an ex officio member of all Committees.

**Greenhall Toll Quarry**

Mr. Brunskill reported that he had again inspected this quarry with the Lord's Agent, Mr. Pusey. They found that it was not in a dangerous condition for cattle having been fenced with a post and rail fence. Mr. Card stated he was satisfied with its conditions so far as the Commoners were conserved and no further action was necessary.

**R.A.F. Golf Club**

The Clerk reported that the Golf Club have accepted the increased acknowledgement but ask having regard to the great expenditure which is now being incurred in improving the Ladies Golf Course if the Conservators will extend

the duration of the license to run concurrently with the lease from Lord De La Warr which is to be granted for a term of 33 years expiring in 1963.

It was resolved that the Club be informed that the Board do not see their way to make any alteration in their standing rule of granting revocable licences only.

#### **Mr. Fitzroy Chapman's ditch**

Ranger Hatchett reports that this ditch is still a danger to the Commoners cattle. It was resolved that Mr. Fitzroy Chapman be requested to have the sides of the ditch properly sloped so as to obviate danger in future.

#### **Cherry Orchard Quarry**

A letter dated 7th May 1930 was received from the County Surveyor asking for consent to tidy up this quarry, which would necessitate the removal of some of the loose filling. The Clerk reported that on the instructions of Colonel Needham he had replied that he was not authorised to grant the removal of further material from this quarry, and requested the further instructions of the Board.

It is resolved that the County Surveyor be informed that the Board have no objection to the application provided that the work is completed to the satisfaction of Ranger Hatchett.

#### **Fire Prevention employment of a woodcutter**

The Chairman reported that on his initiative he had employed a woodcutter to cut and stack burnt wood at Twyford at a weekly wage of [blank].

It was resolved that the action of the Chairman be and the services of the woodcutter be confirmed until the 29th September next, his wages since engagement to that date being paid out of the Protection and Improvement Fund, further that when opportunity offers the wood be sold and the proceeds paid into the above account.

#### **Ranger Hatchett's house**

Arrangements have been made with Messrs. Creasey Son and Wickenden for the Ranger to continue his present accommodation until such time as the property is sold when immediate possession will be necessary. That as a result of this concession it was not found necessary for the Board to avail themselves of the kind offer from Mr. Abbey, and a letter has been written accordingly.

#### **Mr. Holbird**

The Clerk reported that the letter which he had written to this party had been returned through the post and that he had not been able to pursue the matter further.

#### **Rate**

The rate made at the last meeting having been submitted to the Ministry of Agriculture and the official confirmation obtained, the collection of the rate had been commenced.

#### **Maresfield Committee acknowledgements**

The Maresfield Committee report that they met to consider the acknowledgements payable by Miss Cooper Willis and Mr. Sidney Marsh, as there appeared to be certain inequalities

It was proposed that the acknowledgements be as follows:-

- (a) Miss Cooper Willis to pay £2:2:0 per annum divisible between the Lord and the Conservators, for the spring and water pipe and a further 8/- per annum divisible as above for the use of the tracks. She being authorised to carry the overflow through a pipe from spring B to spring A.
- (b) Mr. Sidney Marsh to pay £2:2:0 for the use of the spring and 8/- for the tracks, divisible as above.
- (c) Mr. D.N. Dyke. Mr. Osborne was requested to see him as he was now using a fresh track to his cottages in addition to the original track.
- (d) Mr. George Martin (Mount Pleasant) to pay 6/- per annum divisible as above when the property is sold.

It was resolved that the report be received.

The Clerk reported that he was in communication with Messrs. Sprott and Son, solicitors, acting for Mr. Dyke and had supplied him with a copy of the Bye laws.

It was resolved that the acts and proceedings of the Committee as reported be approved and adopted and the licenses as now varied be completed in a form approved by the Clerk.

### **Forest Row Committee report**

The Forest Row Committee present the following report of their meeting held on the 10th May 1930.

The Committee met at Tylehurst, Forest Row, on May 10th 1930. Present:- Colonel Needham, Admiral Mr. Stanley Colville, Mr. James Card and Mr. William Mitchell.

### **Agenda**

1. Application from Mr. Freshfield to re-metal tracks from Camp Road, giving access to Broadstone Warren according to plan.

The Committee having inspected the tracks resolved to grant the application, subject to licenses to be settled by the Board.

2. Ranger Hatchett's notice to quit his cottage on May 12th. Hatchett having stated that the owner's agents had no intention of evicting him until the cottage is sold. It was resolved that no action need be taken for the present.

3. Application from Ladies Golf Club to grass over road on extension of links.  
It was resolved to grant permission, provided the stability of the road was not interfered with, and that the turf be laid on a solid foundation.

The question of fencing in greens and erecting a shed was referred to the Board.

4. Application from Miss Guggenheim to erect a board at the gate of her road.  
It was resolved to grant permission to erect a board "Windyridge". No parking on this road", on payment of license according to scale, also that license for road to cottage should be cancelled.
5. Application by the Honble Hugh Godley to have notice boards near his house removed.  
It having been explained that two boards had been erected during the absence by the Ranger at a Board meeting, it was resolved that they should be removed to an equally suitable position further from the house at a cost of 8/-.
6. It was reported by the Ranger that Mr. Cleverly of Lavender Platt, complained of his horse having been damaged by following into a dangerous bog near his property, it was resolved that the Clerk should be instructed to communicate with Lord De La Warr's Agent, with a recommendation that a fence should be erected round the bog.

C. Needham  
Chairman of Committee

It was resolved that the report be received.

### **Mrs. Musgrave's application to lay mains**

The Board considered the amount of the annual acknowledgements and had before them an application with plan from Mrs. Musgrave's Solicitors Messrs Clifford Innes and Co for a license to lay an underground gas and water main from the main near Greenhall to land which she is purchasing from Mr. Freshfield and part of Broadstone Warren.

### **Mr. Freshfield's acknowledgement**

Resolved (a) that Mr. Freshfield pay an annual acknowledgement of £4 for metalling a forest track between the points marked A and C on the plan attached to the original application.

- (b) that Mrs. Musgrave pay annual acknowledgements of £2 for metalling a track between the points marked A and B on the same plan and a further annual acknowledgement of £1 for the gas and water main. The acknowledgements in every case to be divided between the Lord and the Conservators.

- (c) The foregoing arrangements to be authorised in revocable licenses in form approved by the Clerk and on payment of his proper charges.

### **Bog at Lavender Platt**

Mr. Brunskill stated after inspection he was of opinion that the fence is not a matter for the Lord.

Resolved that this matter be referred back to the Forest Row Committee with power to act.

Resolved that she pay an annual acknowledgement of 5/- per annum the work to be carried out and the Board erected to the satisfaction of Ranger Kirby.

Resolved that the recommendations of the Committee as amended be approved and adopted.

The Chairman of the Forest Row Committee reported that since the meeting of his Committee.

- (a) He had authorised Mr. Johnson of Broadstone Farm to cut bracken on the Forest to the north east of his property
- (b) He had granted permission to Mrs. Kingston of Cherry Croft, Forest Row to lay a water pipe from the main in the same trench for which a license is held from the Board.
- (c) Messrs. H.P. Claydon and A.C. Card had applied to him for consent to sell mineral waters at weekends on the Forest and that he had refused the application.

Resolved that the action of the Chairman be confirmed and Messrs. Claydon and Card be informed that the Board cannot give authority to their application.

### **Burnt fir wood**

Messrs. Hunt & Co write that the Lord's agent Mr. Pusey has made considerable efforts to sell burnt fir wood in the neighbourhood of Wych Cross, Hindleap, and Twyford Lodge, but without success; that they are investigating the clearance of the firs between Wych Cross Corner and The Goat.

### **Quarrying of stone**

The Clerk reports that it came to his notice that the Lord was proposing to grant a license to the County Council for the sale of stone for other than highway purposes; that since the last meeting of the Board he had been in communication with Messrs. Hunt & Co on behalf of the Lord as well as the County Council to whom the following memorandum had been submitted setting out the legal position of the Board.

### **Ashdown Forest.**

Under the Decree in 1693 the Lord was authorised to enclose some 6,600 acres on condition that the remaining 6,400 the present open Forest, was set out in convenient places for the Commoners and that they enjoyed the sole common, pasturage, and herbage thereof.

In the Decree in Hale v. De La Warr of 16th June 1882 the Lord undertook that he would not dig for stone, brick, earth gravel or other material. So as to prejudice the exercise of any of the rights of the Commoners and would at the request of the Commoners and on being indemnified by them against all costs etc. co-operate with them in repressing depredations on the 6,400 acres and would consent to an Order for Regulation xxx in order to prevent all cutting of turf or other acts tending to damage the surfaces.

Under the Order for Regulation confirmed by Parliament, the duties are imposed on the Conservators to prevent any acts tending to damage the surface of the forest and to preserve it in its natural condition.

Under these circumstances it is clear that the Lord cannot authorise anyone to dig stone to as it would diminish the Commoners pasturage and herbage and would damage the surface of the Forest.

Mr. Brunskill stated that the licenses would be granted for the digging of stone in the usual way subject for highway purposes subject to the rights of the Commoners. He arranged to look further into the matter.

### **Fairwarp complaint re. cesspool**

Complaint having been made of an overflowing cesspool at Fairwarp, Ranger Kirby reported that he had arranged with Canon R.J. Campbell to remove pipes lying under the Forest, and for the overflow from his cesspool to discharge on his own land. Further that the cesspool of Major Lyon's of Heatherdene Cottage had been cleaned out and instructions given to keep it cleaned out to prevent any future overflow.

### **Consents for manoeuvres**

The Chairman of the respective District Committees reported the granting of consent for manoeuvres and camping to the 252nd Howitzer Brigade, the 253rd Field Battery, the Tonbridge School Q.F.C., the 63rd (6th) London Field Brigade, and the 119th North London Troop of Boy Scouts.

Resolved that their action be confirmed.

### **Sunday services on Forest**

An application was received the Vicar of High Hurst Wood for the holding of services on the forest on Sundays 6th and 20th July, at Kingstanding, which the Chairman took upon himself to authorise on condition that the applicant made himself responsible for the tidiness of the ground after the conclusion of the services.

Ranger Kirby reported that the forest had been left tidy after the first service.

Resolved that the action of the Chairman be confirmed.

### **Mr. Graves, Redhill**

Ranger Hatchett reported that on the 28th June two motor coaches belonging to Mr. Graves of Redhill drew into the side of the road near Wych Cross, and notwithstanding a warning to the drivers a considerable quantity of litter was left behind. On the instructions of the Chairman complaint was made to the owner of the coaches who replied denying any personal responsibility in the matter, but regretting if any of the Forest Bye laws had been deliberately broken. He offered to supply the name and address of the hirer of the coaches.

Resolved that this information be obtained and that the question of a prosecution be left in the hands of the Chairman; further that the attention of the owners of the chars-a-banc be drawn to the forest Bye laws, and where there is a definite breach of them proceedings be instituted.

### **Scale of acknowledgements for private roads**

The Clerk submits a list of licenses granted during the past 5 years, which shows that the amounts and distances vary considerably.

Resolved that the Clerk be instructed to prepare a scale of acknowledgements for consideration of the next meeting.

### **The Hon. R.E.S. Barrington**

An application was read from the Honble. R.E.S. Barrington asking permission to erect a notice board at the entrance of his property, with the following words "Isle of Thorns. Private road. Entrance to camp on Nutley Road".

Resolved that the application be approved on payment of an annual acknowledgement of 10/6, the work to be carried out to the satisfaction of Ranger Kirby (Mr Dunning did not vote).

### **Archaeological investigations**

A letter from Mr. Margary was read enclosing a copy of the report of the investigations on the Forest, and thanking the Conservators for allowing these to be made. He states that a set of air photographs are now in course of preparation, which he would be pleased to present to the Board for their assistance in the future.

Resolved that the Chairman be empowered to accept the photographs with the grateful thanks of the Board, but if Mr. Margary intended the Board should pay for them then the Chairman is authorised to purchase the set if he considers the price is reasonable.

Rangers' reports

Ranger Kirby reported that he had spent much time at Poundgate Schools in the erection of notice boards and filling in of holes, and that the area is now safe; that at least 12 days during the past quarter have been spent on cleaning up rubbish and litter, and one caravan has been removed.

Ranger Hatchett reports having warned off various cars, vans and gypsies from the forest; that 4 fires have broken out in his area, burning approximately 8 acres.

He has also been much engaged in cleaning up litter, reports the conclusion of the archaeological investigations at Wych Cross, and with authority has had new tyres put on his motor cycle. He has also inspected the bog at Lavender Platt with Ms. Pusey, with is in a dangerous condition.

### Finances

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books which show balances in hand as follows:

General Account	£231:4:6
2nd Ranger Fund	£177:1:11
Protection & Improvement Fund	£74:3:0
Fire Prevention Fund	£187:10:6

Resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

Kirby Herbert Ranger 11 weeks Salary @ £2:10:0 to 14th inst	£27:10:0
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11 weeks house rent @ 5/- per week to 14th inst	£2:15:0
Ditto Employers Insurances £31:0:7	£0:15:7

Hatchett J.W. 2nd Ranger 11 Weeks Salary @ £2 per week to 14th inst.	£22:0:0
Ditto Employers Insurances	£0:15:7
	£22:15:7

Creasey Son & Wickenden 9 weeks rent of 2nd Ranger's cottage to 14th inst.	£4:14:6
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The Clerk Half years Salary to 30th June	£75:0:0
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Raper, W.A. Refund amount paid by him in error 1929 (Miss Angener's rate)	£1:6:0
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Fire Prevention Fund The Clerk payments to 6 men for 10 weeks @ 5/- each per week	£15:0:0
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Workers compensation insurance in respect of same	£0:19:6
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£15:16:6

### Protection & Improvement Fund

Also that the following monies be drawn from the Protection and Improvement Fund.

Tasker, George removing signposts at Colemans Hatch	£0:8:0
Osman J.C. 6 notice boards	

“ Please no litter”	£8:12:6
Turner & Co notice board as dangerous ground near Pound Gate	£2:0:0
Ridley F.J. petrol etc. for Ranger Kirby’s motor cycle.	£0:14.10
Martin C.E. Ditto for Ranger Hatchett’s motor cycle and tyres	£4:5:6
P.O. Telephones ¼ years rent and calls	
Ranger’s Kirby’s	£1:16:11
Ditto Ranger’s Hatchett	£1:19:0

£19:16:9

It was resolved that Lieut. Col H. Combe be appointed to serve on the Forest Row Committee in addition to the Maresfield Committee of which he is already a member.

An application was received from the Royal Ashdown Forest Ladies Golf Club to erect a “no litter” notice board outside their club house.

It was reported that there was already a Bye laws board in the near vicinity.

Resolved that the application be referred to the Forest Row Committee with power to act.

#### **Mr. J.E. Hook camp**

An application was received from the Joseph Hook asking for consent for the 7th Lewes Boy Scouts to hold a camp at Twyford between 2nd and 9th August.

Resolved that consent be given on the usual conditions.

Future application to camp etc.

Resolved that any future applications from the military or scouts be referred to the Chairman of the Board and power to act.

It is resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held on Wednesday the 8th day of October at 2.30 p.m.

The meeting terminated at 5.30 p.m.

H.R. Hardy  
Chairman.

#### **A Meeting of the Special Sub Committee re. Town Planning duly convened and held at Keysford, Horsted Keynes on Tuesday the 12th day of August 1930 at 11 a.m.**

Mr. H. Ronald Hardy (Chairman)  
Colonel Charles Needham.  
Lt Colonel H. Combe

#### **Uckfield R.D.C. Scheme. Proposed road Fords Green**

The Committee have before them a letter of the 28th July from Mr. H.R. Wardill the Town Planning Surveyor of the Uckfield Rural District Council, showing tentative suggestions for communicating with the main Eastbourne – East Grinstead road viz:- (a) to follow Professor Davidge’s proposal to go through the main street at Nutley and (b) the proposal of Mr. Wardill to take the road along the north west boundary of Fords Green Recreation Ground. In the first case no part of the Forest is affected. In the second scheme the road crosses the Forest and would necessitate some encroachment on the playing field in order to provide for a 30 Foot carriage way and footpaths five feet wide on either side.

Resolved that the further consideration of the matter be deferred until the members of the Committee have had an opportunity of inspecting the alternative proposals on the ground.

### **East Grinstead R.D.C.**

A letter dated the 7th August from the surveyor to the East Grinstead R.D.C. with a schedule of the roads over Ashdown Forest affected by the District Council's Town Planning Scheme was read. The Schedule comprised the following roads:

Legsheath Farm to cross roads at Goat Farm	widening to 40 ft
Cross roads at Goat Farm to Forest Row church (Priory Road)	ditto
Plawhatch Hall via Goat cross roads to Wych Cross	widening to 60 ft
Forest Row village to Wych Cross (Eastbourne Road)	widening to 100 ft
Wych Cross through Broadstone Warren to Colemans Hatch	widening to 60 ft
Chapel Lane, Forest row to Highgate, Forest Row	widening to 50 ft
Colemans Hatch via Newbridge to the top of Captain Kidds Hill	widening to 60 ft
Hartfield to District Boundary at King's Standing	widening to 60 ft
Groombridge via Lye Green and Friars Gate to District Boundary at King's Standing	widening to 60 ft
Junction of roads at Lye Green to District Boundary at London Road, Crowborough	widening to 60 ft
Junction of roads at Friar's Gate via Mardens Hill to District Boundary at St. Johns Road, Crowborough	widening to 50 ft

Resolved that this Committee do recommend that where improvement lines have been laid down to deal with dangerous corners and the reservation of these lines in general principle be accepted provided the amenities of the forest are preserved, but that no final position be arrived at until the Committee have inspected the various roads and discussed the proposals in detail with the surveyor to the Rural Council.

### **Open spaces**

The Committee consider the proposals of Professor Davidge as set out in the proof copy report of the Joint Town Planning Advisory Committee in which he suggests that certain woods and warrens be reserved as permanent open spaces – examples of these are as follows:

Hindleap Warren, Broadstone Warren, Prest Ridge Warren  
North wood  
West wood  
East wood round Pippingford Park  
Wrens Warren and Five Hundred acre wood.

Resolved to recommend that the Committee entirely approve the suggestion of preserving these and similar open spaces which adjoin the Forest.

### **Mr. A.N. Stewart “No Parking” notices**

The Committee consider an application from Mr. A.N. Stuart of Chuck Hatch, Hartfield, asking for consent to erect two “No Parking” notice boards outside his property in the hope that this will enable him to deal with the picnic parties outside his property.

Resolved that consent be given to the erection of two “No Parking” boards, each post not to exceed six feet in height and the boards not to be more than 12 inches by 6 inches; the board and post to be painted dark green and



the words “No Parking” to be painted in orange letters. Mr. Stuart to pay an annual acknowledgement of 10/6d for each board, together with the Clerk’s reasonable charges for the preparation of the necessary license.

### **Death of Sir Francis Champneys**

The Clerk was directed to express the sincere condolence of the Board with the relatives of the late Sir Francis Champneys in their recent bereavement.

### **Quarrying of stone**

Letters from Messrs. Hunt & Co of the 25th July and 1st August were read in which they explained that they had written to the Clerk to the East Sussex County Council informing him that arising out of the discussion of the last meeting, that Lord De La Warr was the proper person to grant licenses to take stone, which it is stipulated shall be used only for road purposes. They further ask that the Board will confirm this view as the approved policy of the Board.

The Clerk reminds the Committee that no consent to quarry stone has been granted to the County Council for the year ending March 1931 and calls the attention of the Committee to the decree as set out in the minutes of the Board at their meeting on the 16th July. After full discussion it is resolved to recommend that Messrs. Hunt & Co be asked to supply full particulars of the quantities of stone to be quarried and the localities of the various quarries before any work is commenced and calling their attention to the decree in Hale v. De La Warr of 16th June 1882 and the understanding of the Lord there in contained which the Committee considers establishes the legal position of the Board in this matter.

The Meeting terminated at 1 p.m.

Chairman

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### **A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Shelley Arms Hotel, Nutley on Wednesday the 8th day of October 1930 at 2.30 p.m.**

Mr. H. Ronald Hardy, Chairman  
Admiral the Hon. Sir Stanley Colville, G.C.B., Vice Chairman  
Colonel Charles Needham  
Lt. Colonel H. Combe D.S.O.  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. James Dunning  
Mr. G.D. Haslam  
Mr. Geo. M. Maryon-Wilson  
Mr. William Mitchell  
Mr. Thomas Osborne  
and Mr. J.J. Brunskill, representing Earl De La Warr.

In the temporary absence of the chairman Mr. Geo. M. Maryon-Wilson was elected Chairman of this meeting.

### **Death of Sir Francis Champneys**

Mr. Maryon-Wilson in feeling terms referred to the valuable services rendered by Sir Francis Champneys to the Board during the past 18 years and the sympathy and tact which he had displayed.

It was unanimously resolved that the Clerk write a letter to Sir Weldon Champneys expressing the sense of the great loss which the Board had sustained.

It was resolved that the election to fill the vacancy should stand over until the Annual Meeting.

Mr. Hardy then takes the chair

The Minutes of the last Meeting are read confirmed and signed

An apology for absence was reserved from Mr. W. H. Abbey.

### **Wood cutting**

The Chairman reports that the woodcutter he employed has cut 122 cords of beech and birch. The cost has been £47 which he hopes will be defrayed by selling the wood for which he expects 15/- to £1 per cord. He has orders for 50 cords.

### **R.A.F. Golf Club Licence**

The Clerk reports that Lord De La Warr's license has not yet been granted and therefore he has been unable to prepare the license. Further that the client have agreed to pay the increased acknowledgement at the rate of £80 on 25th December 1930.

### **Mr. Chapman's ditch**

The Clerk reports that Mr. Chapman wishes to put up a wire fence on the side of his ditch to prevent animals falling in.

Resolved that the Clerk be instructed to reply that the Board are not authorised to grant such permission.

### **Ranger Hatchett's house**

The Clerk reports that Messrs. Creasey Son & Wickenden having proposed an increase in the rent from 10/6 to 12/- per week, last intimate that if there is a sale the Ranger may have to move, the increased rent was agreed to as from the 18th August on the instructions of the Chairman and Colonel Needham.

### **Quarrying of stone**

The Clerk read the correspondence which had passed between himself and Messrs. Hunt & Co since the last meeting of the Board together with the report of the Special Sub Committee (see page 399 ante).

Mr. Maryon Wilson explained that during his experience on the Board of over 30 years the applications for road materials required by the county council had been always been made to and granted by the Board. The Clerk stated in his opinion the Commons Act of 1876 and the Regulation Act 1885 conferred this right on the Board; Mr. Brunskill submitted that the mines and minerals were under the control of the Lord. The Board having decided that the power of granting these licenses was vested in them, it was resolved that a letter be written to the Lord pointing out that the Board would prefer to see the matter settled by the Lord making arrangements for the disposal of stone from his own land other than the Forest.

### **Mr. Dyke**

The Clerk reports that he called to see Captain Harries, Mr. Dyke's Solicitor, but that he was away but an appointment had been fixed for next week.

### **Maresfield Committee report**

The Maresfield Committee present the following report which is read, namely:

The Committee met on Tuesday October 7th. Present G.D. Haslam (Chairman), Mr. Hardy, Col. Combe and Mr. Osborne.

Application from Mr. Osborne and another for financial assistance for filling in ruts and cleaning outlets on Forest Bank to Misbourne Farm Road. Estimated time required 4 days. The Committee recommends a payment of 30/-.

Application from Mrs. Wall, Forest Edge, Nutley for financial assistance towards defraying cost of metalling and cinderling about 40 yards of road on the Forest adjacent to her house. Total cost to her of £3.

Application from Mrs. Brett, Summervale, Fairwarp, to erect a small temporary sign board, indicating the way to her house which is for sale.

The Committee recommends permission be granted, on the strict understanding that the board be removed immediately on a sale being effected. No charge to be made.

The Committee inspected a litter tin, on Pippingford Hill, which had been placed there by Mrs. Godwin King. The tin was found to be filled with litter, and for the time being the Committee recommends the tin should be allowed to remain there

G.D. Haslam.  
Chairman

Resolved that the report be received.

Mrs. Godwin King offers to put up more tins in suitable places if the Board will give permission.

It is resolved that she be allowed to put five more up in positions settled by the Chairman of the two District Committees.

Resolved that the acts and proceedings of the Committee as reported be approved and adopted.

Forest Row Committee report

The Forest Row Committee's Chairman, Colonel Needham, reports that no Committee meeting has been held since that last meeting of the Board but the following matters have arisen:

- (a) Mrs. Grace of Newbridge, Forest Row, applied for permission to put up a notice advertising lunches and teas at her property. It having been found that the Board would not be placed on the Forest, it is resolved that she be informed the Board is unable to give permission.
- (b) That he has seen Miss Burns the Secretary of the Ladies Golf Club in regard to the application for a notice board and has suggested it was unnecessary.

It was resolved that they be allowed to put up a letter basket at their own expense.

The Clerk submitted the scale of acknowledgements which he had prepared.

Resolved that the matter be reported to a special Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the two Chairman of the District Committees to consider and report to the Board.

### **Rangers' reports**

Ranger Kirby reports that he spent ten days collecting the rates, six days clearing up letter, the removal of caravans off the forest, that Mrs. Godwin King placed a blue letter tin on top of the Pippingford Hill, that Mr. E.P. Siggers without authority had a caravan on the forest for which he gave him permission to remain as the man's wife was ill. That he took holiday from 22nd September to 6th October.

Ranger Hatchett reports that he spent seven days collecting rates, ten days clearing up letter and rubbish, the removal of 13 caravans, that he has had his cycle repaired, that he has prevented various parties from camping and warned various motorists re litter, that Mr. Stuart of Chuck Hatch has erected the "No Parking" boards to his satisfaction, that 2 greens on the new links had been wired into protect the young grass, that he reported the members of two cars to the Clerk for breach of Bye Laws by their drivers and that he took a holiday from 8th to 15th September.

### **Mr. Howes**

The Chairman deprecates the fact that Ranger Hatchett was unable to identify Mr. Howes. Mr. Dunning suggests that the Rangers should in similar cases, cycle on ahead and ask the nearest constable to stop the car on bus and inspect the license of the driver. He suggest this is a more certain way of secure way the names.

### **Mr. Ives**

The Clerk reports that he has been in communication with Mr. Ives one of the parties reported by Ranger Hatchett for a breach of the Bye Laws and reads a letter of apology from him

Resolved that no further action be taken.

Shaftesbury Distribution Company

The Clerk reports that he is in communication with the Shaftesbury Distribution Co. in respect of another report made by Ranger Hatchett.

## Land Drainage Act 1930

The Clerk reports that he inspected the deposited plan of the Ouse Catchment Area and found that part of the Forest was included. He wrote to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries asking for an assurance that the Board's powers would not be affected and read a reply from the Ministry in which they state that whilst unable to express an authoritative opinion upon the provisions of the Act on give any assurance they think that the position of the Conservators will not be affected.

## Legsheath Farm Ltd.

The Clerk reports that he has received a letter from the Secretary to the Legsheath Farm Ltd intimating that the company wish to terminate their agreement with the Conservators and explaining that they have not exercised any rights there under.

## Finances

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books which show balances in had as follows:

General Account	£162:9:11
2nd Ranger Fund	£158:2:10
Protection and Improvement Fund	£64:16:3
Fire Prevention Fund	£171:11:0

Resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

Kirby, Herbert, Ranger 12 weeks salary at £2:10:0 to 6th inst	£30:0:0
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Ditto 12 weeks rent @ 5/- to ditto	£3:0:0
Ditto Employers insurance	£0:17:0

£33:17:0

Hatchett J.W. 2nd Ranger 12 Weeks salary at £2 per week to 6th inst	£24:0:0
Ditto employers insurance	£0:17:0

£24:17:0

Creasey Son and Wickenden 5 weeks rent of 2nd Rangers Cottage @ 10/6 to 18th Aug	£2:12:6
7 weeks @ 12/- to 6th inst	£4:4:0

£6:16:6

Also that the following sums be drawn from the Protection and Improvement Fund.

F.J. Ridley petrol for Ranger Kirby's Motor Cycle	£0:13:0
C.C. Martin ditto Ranger Hatchett	£1:16:9
P.O. Telephones ¼ yrs Rent and calls Ranger Kirby	£1:17:8
Ditto Ranger Hatchett	£1:17:6

## Mr. Abbey

It was resolved that the Chairman be requested to write to Mr. Abbey owing to his infrequent attendance asking him to resign and thus make way for a more diligent member.

## Safety zone Old Lodge Estate

Application from Messrs Wood and Walford on behalf of Lord Castle Stewart for permission to cut a safety zone round his estate was approved so far as the Board are concerned and referred to the Lord's Agents for grant of the necessary licenses.

## Town Planning

The following report of the Special Sub Committee was read in Committee (see page 397 ante). Resolved that it be received.

The Sub Committee report that they have since met at Fords Green and recommend that the application be not approved as they are strongly opposed to the proposals which they feel will create danger to the local inhabitants and destroy the amenities of the recreation ground.

The Clerk is instructed to prepare a scheme of inspection for the road improvement scheduled by the East Grinstead Rural District Council before the Committee inspect.

Resolved that the report of the Sub Committee as amended be received and adopted.

Annual Meeting of Commoners

Resolved that the Annual Meeting be held at the Shelley Arms Hotel, Nutley on Wednesday the 17th December 1930 at 11 a.m. and to be followed by the Meeting of the Board

H.R. Hardy  
Chairman

**A Meeting of the Special Committee appointed to consider Town Planning duly convened and held at the Shelley Arms, Nutley on Thursday the 6th November 1930 at 10.30 a.m.**

Mr. H. Ronald Hardy, Chairman  
Admiral Sir. Stanley Colville  
Lieut. Colonel H. Combe  
Colonel Charles Needham  
G.D. Haslam Esq.

East Grinstead R.D.C. Town Planning Scheme

The Committee, having previously to the meeting inspected the Roads, considered in detail the schedule of Roads proposed to widened under the Town Planning Scheme in course of preparation by the East Grinstead Rural District Council. The Committee makes the following recommendations:

Suggestion	Recommendation
a. at Goat Farm. Widening to 10 feet	Legsheath Farm to cross Roads  X agreed if necessary
b. Forest Row church (Priory Road) Widening to 40 feet	Cross roads at Goat Farm to  not necessary
c. roads to Wych Cross. Widening to 60 feet	Plawhatch Hall via Goat Cross  not agreed
d. (Eastbourne Road). Widening to 100 feet	Forest Row village to Wych Cross  X recommended
e. to Colemans Hatch. Widening to 60 feet	Wych Cross through Broadstone Warren  X not agreed
f.	Chapel Lane Forest Row to High

gate, Forest Row, widening to 50 feet

definitely not agreed

g.  
top of Captain Kidds Hill. Widening to 60 ft

Colemans Hatch via Newbridge to the unnecessary

h.  
Kings Standing. Widening to 60 feet

Hartfield to District Boundary at recommended if proved to be necessary

i.  
Friars Gate to District Boundary at Kings Standing. Widening to 60 feet

Groombridge via Lye Green and

X not necessary

j.  
District Boundary at London Road, Crow borough. Widening to 60 feet the forest

Junction of roads at Lye Green to this road is outside

k.  
via Mardens Hill to District Boundary at St Johns Road, Crowborough. Widening to 50 feet. X

junction of roads at Friars Gate

although Crowborough may require to be developed for Town Planning purposes. The “bottle necks” should not affect road passing over the Forest

It was further resolved (a) that in case of roads marked X in the above list the Committee are of opinion that they are cases which demand that the amenities of the Forest should be protected.

- (b) That this expression of the Committee’s approval is given without prejudice to the legal position of the Board and subject to the consent of the Lord of the Manor.
- (c) That if the Town Planning Scheme is subsequently approved the Board will require to approve the plans of any proposed alterations to Highways crossing the Forest before any work is put in hand, but that in every case a condition be imposed that where cuttings are made on the Forest that they are covered with turf uppermost.

The Clerk was further instructed to write a letter to the East Grinstead Rural District Council pointing out the particular duties of the Board so far as relates to the protection of the Commoners’ interests, preservation of the amenities of the Forest in addition to the foregoing recommendations.

#### Scale of acknowledgements

The Committee consider the proposed scale and recommend to the Board the following proposals.

Direction posts	Non-commoners	Commoners
1 post per name	0:10:6	0:7:6
1 post two names	0:7:6	0:5:0
1 post three names	0:5:0	0:3:6
Parking & no litter boards	0:10:6	0:7:6

Roads	Lord	Conservators
Make and maintain		
25 yards and under	0:7:6	0:7:6
50 yards and under	0:15:0	0:15:0
75 yards and under	1:2:6	1:2:6
100 yards and under	1:10:0	1:10:0
125 yards and under	1:12:6	1:12:6
150 yards and under	1:15:0	1:15:0
175 yards and under	1:17:6	1:17:6
200 yards and under	2:0:0	2:0:0
225 yards and under	2:2:6	2:2:6
250 yards and under	2:5:0	2:5:0
275 yards and under	2:7:6	2:7:6
300 yards and under	2:10:0	2:10:0
325 yards and under	2:12:6	2:12:6
350 yards and under	2:15:0	2:15:0
375 yards and under	2:17:6	2:17:6
400 yards and under	3:0:0	3:0:0
Over 400 yards to be considered by the Board.		
Repair		
25 yards	0:2:6	0:2:6
26 to 50 yards	0:5:0	0:5:0
51 to 75 yards	0:7:6	0:7:6
76 to 100 yards	0:10:0	0:10:0
101 to 200 yards	0:15:0	0:15:0
201 to 300 yards	1:0:0	1:0:0
301 to 400 yards	1:5:0	1:5:0
Over 400 yards to be considered by the Board.		

They further resolved to recommend that (a) the Clerk be instructed to revoke all licenses for notice boards and direction posts as on the 1st January 1932 in order that there may be uniformity between the various license holders in accordance with the scale as now revised.

- (b) that the licenses for repair of tracks and the making and maintenance of roads remain as at present and that us notices of revocation be given in these cases.
- (c) that the Clerk be instructed to notify the Committee when an application for a license is made by a small Commoner and generally as to the purpose for which the license is required.

### **Ranger Hatchett's house**

The Committee had before them a letter from Ranger Hatchett stating that he has been offered a house on the Lewes Road, Forest Row which is available at a rental of 15/- per week tenant paying rates or 18/- per week inclusive.

The Ranger states he is prepared to pay the extra rent and rates. The accommodation will available about the 1st January 1931.

Resolved that Ranger Hatchett be informed that this Committee authorises him to hire the cottage on the understanding that the contribution of the Board shall not exceed the rental paid for his present accommodation.

The Meeting ended at 1:15 p.m.

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### **A meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Shelley Arms Hotel, Nutley on Wednesday the 17th day of December 1930 at 1:15 in the afternoon.**

Mr. H. Ronald Hardy, Chairman  
Admiral The Hon. Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B., Vice Chairman  
Lieut. Colonel G.R. Miller.  
Major The Hon R.E.S. Barrington  
Mr. Geo. M. Maryon-Wilson J.P.  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. G.D. Haslam  
Mr. Wm. Mitchell  
Mr. Thos. Osborne  
Mr. John Rowe  
and Mr. C.H.N. Adams representing Earl De La Warr.

The minutes of the last meeting are read confirmed and agreed.

### **Election of Conservators**

The Clerk reported that the Annual Meeting of the Commoners took place this morning and read the following certificate signed by the Chairman which it was resolved to enter on the minutes.

It is as follows

To Mr. R.W. Fovargue.

Clerk to the Conservators of Ashdown Forest

As Chairman of the Meeting of the Commoners duly convened and held this day at the Shelly Arms Hotel at Nutley for the purpose of electing four Conservators in the places of these who retire from office by rotation on the 31st day of December instant and of Sir. Francis H. Champneys Bart deceased and also of Colonel Charles Needham, Lieut. Colonel Herbert Combe and Mr. William Henry Abbey resigned. I hereby certify that at the said meeting the following three gentlemen were elected to fill the vacancies of those who retire by rotation namely Mr. Herbert Ronald Hardy, Mr James Dunning and Mr. Thomas Osborne, to serve for the ensuring three years and that Lt. Colonel G.R. Miller was elected to take the place of Sir Francis H. Champneys deceased for the ensuring three years and that Major the Hon. R.E.S. Barrington was elected to take the place of Colonel Charles Needham for the ensuring two years and that Mr. John Rowe was elected to take the place of Lieut. Colonel Herbert Combe resigned



for the ensuing year and that Mr James R. Owen was elected to take the place of Mr. William Henry Abbey for the ensuing two years.

Dated this 17th day of December 1930

signed G.M. Maryon Wilson, Chairman.

An apology for absence was received from Mr. James Dunning.

Colonel Needham

On the proposition of the Chairman it was unanimously resolved that the hearty thanks of the Board be tendered to Colonel Charles Needham for the excellent services which he has rendered to the Board during the past 15 years.

Matters arising out of minutes

(a) Death of Sir F.H. Champneys

The Clerk reported the receipt of letters of thanks from Sir Weldon Champneys Bart and Mrs Southam.

(b) Ranger Hatchett's house

The Clerk reports that Ranger Hatchett has found a suitable house on the Lewes Road, Forest Row and that on the instructions of Colonel Needham he has arranged that the Board will pay 12/- a week. Ranger Hatchett having signed an undertaking to pay the remainder of the rent and to give vacant possession on three months notice on either side.

Resolved that Colonel Needham's action be approved and instruction given for the transfer of the telephone, the hope being expressed that the number would not be changed.

(c) Quarrying of stone

The Clerk reported further correspondence on this matter. Mr. Maryon Wilson stated that he was of opinion that the difficulty may be caused by the use of the Board of the word "license" and not "application".

Mr. Adams states that this is largely the case and explains that the Lord only wishes to protect his mining rights.

The Board agreeing that they can only give consent to application and Mr. Adams stating that he has no objections to offer to the present procedure of the Board in regard to applications from the County Council. It was resolved that the Clerk be instructed to confirm this arrangement with Messrs Hunt & Co.

(d) Licence to Mr. Dyke

The Clerk reported that he has completed this license.

(e) Wood cutting

The chairman reported that there is still some firewood to sell at cost of 15/- a cord.

(f) Scale of acknowledgements

The report of the Committee appointed to consider the scale of acknowledgements was submitted (see page ante) and recommended to the Board for approval.

Resolved that the consideration be deferred until the next meeting.

(g) The Clerk read a letter from the Shaftesbury Distribution Co. apologising for the offence against the Bye Laws.

### **Gift of photographs by Mr. Margary**

The Clerk reported the receipt of these photographs which he had acknowledged. He was now instructed to write a further letter expressing the been appreciation of the Board

### **Maresfield Committee report**

The Maresfield Committee present the report of their meeting held on the 8th December 1930.

The Maresfield Committee met on Monday December 8th. Present Mr. Haslam, Mr Hardy, Col. Combe and Mr. Osborne.

### **Dr. Ormond road**

They considered Dr. Ormond's request to make a road way to a new garage he proposed to erect on his property at Fairwarp known as "Crofts".

There is already a perfect network of roads on this spot and the Committee cannot recommend the being of yet another road. The Committee suggests that Mr. Ormond used the path from the front gate which is all on his own property.

### **Mrs. Warren Browne**

The Committee then considered the application from Mrs. Warren Browne, who has recently purchased "The Beacon", Fairwarp, to continue the existing road past the front down to the garage at the side of the house. As this would necessitate taking away a small part of the recreation ground, the Committee although sympathising with Mrs. Warren Browne recommend that the Clerk gets into communication with Col. Arthur Barchard, Campfield Rough, Fairwarp, who is Chairman of the Recreation Ground Committee, and obtain his views on the matter. If the Recreation Ground Committee is in favour of granting the application, the Maresfield Committee received no objection. It would mean making up the road from the existing road for a distance of about 44 yards to Mrs Browne's garage and encroaching on the Recreation Ground to the extent of 20 yards in length by 7 yards in width.

We understand from Kirby that about 20 years ago before he undertook his duties as Ranger, permission was given to Mr. Aldred to make a road to The Beacon.

Mr. Aldred married a daughter of a Mr. Turner who was at that time Chairman of the Maresfield Committee. The Committee think it would be interesting to refer to the permission as granted to Mr. Aldred and so see what the conditions actually were.

### **Mr. Nettlefold footbridge**

The Committee considered an application from Mr. Nettlefold to place a footbridge over the stream at Mill Brook, between the Vetchery and Millwood. The Committee approved of this being done at Mr. Nettlefold's expense, but wished him to understand that the Board of Conservators cannot be in any way responsible for the bridge

George D. Haslam  
Chairman

### **Mrs. Warren Browne**

A letter from Colonel Barchard (Superintendent of the Fairwarp Recreation Ground) was read consenting to the proposals.

Resolved (a) that the acts and proceedings of the Committee as reported be approved and adopted (b) Mrs. Browne's application approved subject to revocable licence and acknowledgement per annum.

### **Forest Row Committee report**

The Forest Row Committee present the report of their meeting held on the 25th October 1930.

The Committee met at Tylehurst, Forest Row on 25th October 1930. Present Admiral Sir Stanley Colville, Lieutenant Colonel Combe, Colonel Needham, Mr. James Card and Mr. William Mitchell

### **Agenda.**

1. Ditch round Ashdown Place  
Colonel Needham reported that he had inspected the ditch, which was certainly dangerous to cattle, that he had seen Mr. Chapman who promised to dig down the steep side, the work is now done and no further action is necessary.
2. Mrs. Reed's complaint of fencing round golf greens.  
It was resolved that the Clerk should write and inform Mrs. Reed that the fencing is merely a temporary measure and would shortly be removed.
3. Application by Secretary of Ladies Golf Club to extend existing shed behind erect pavilion by 10 feet.

It was resolved that permission be granted provided that the building should be the same character as the existing shed and should not extend beyond the end of the pavilion.

C. Needham  
Chairman

Resolved that the report be received.

Ladies Golf Club fencing round greens

The Clerk was directed to write the secretary to the Royal Ashdown Forest Ladies Golf Club requesting the removal of the nothing around several new greens and it was resolved that further action if required be left to the Chairman with power to act.

Resolved that the acts and proceedings of the Committee as amended be approved and adopted

### **Rangers' reports**

Ranger Kirby reports that he has removed six gipsies with horses and vans off the Forest, that the fence at Forest Bank Ridge had been broken and damaged and so far he has not been able to trace the offenders; Mrs Walls has repaired her road to his satisfaction; that Mr. Pollard who owns the burnt trees at Press Ridge Warren does not appear to be cutting them down at a very satisfactory rate of progress.

Ranger Hatchett reports that he has removed 15 gipsies and vans; that he went with a Sergeant and four constables to execute distress warrants on F. Smith and A. Chapman who were arrested and paid two guinea each; that he advised Mr. J. Chapman to slope his trench on the west side of property which was started; that Mrs. Godwin King had set up two more litter tins; that the Ladies Golf Club have been placing turf over Old Camp Road; that he has issued a litter license.

### **Anti-Litter League**

The Clerk read a letter from Mrs. Godwin King with regard to the formation of an anti litter league in East Sussex.

Resolved that she be informed that the Board is entirely in sympathy with their aims and that a donation of 10/6 payable out of the Protection and Improvement Fund be made to their funds.

### **P.O. telephone cable to Sycamore Cottage**

The Clerk reported an application from the Post Office Engineering Department for consent to lay underground cable under Common Lane to Sycamore Cottage, Forest Row, to which after communicating with the Agent to the Lord he gave consent.

Resolved that the Clerk's action be approved.

### **Mrs. Musgrave**

The Clerk reported that the draft license is under the consideration of Mrs. Musgrave's solicitors.

### **Mrs. Wall road**

The Clerk reported the completion of this work and read a letter of thanks from Mrs. Wall for the contribution.

Forest Row Bowling Club application to cut turf

The Clerk read an application from the Forest Row Bowling Club to cut two loads of turf off the Forest to repair their bowling green. Resolved that the Club Secretary be informed that the Board are not authorised to give such consent and the Clerk instructed to write the Lord's agent Mr. Pusey in regard to the application.

### **E. Grinstead R.D.C. complaint**

The Clerk reported that he received a complaint from the Surveyor to the East Grinstead Rural District Council of undergrowth overhanging in Plawhatch Road and Birch Grove Road and had informed him that the Board were not responsible.

The Lord's agent was stated by Mr. Adams to have dealt with the complaint.

## Old Camp Road

The Clerk reported that the had received a complaint from Mr. George Simpson about the laying of turf over the Old Camp Road.

It was resolved that the Clerk enquire fully into this matter and report at the next meeting.

## Audit Committee

It was resolved that Mr. G.D. Haslam and Major the Honble R.E.S. Barrington be appointed the Committee to audit the accounts for the current year.

## Finances

The Clerk produces the Bank Pass Books which show balances in hand as follows:

General Account	£233.3.5
2nd Ranger Fund	£129:12:4
Protection and Improvement Fund	£62:6:4
Fire Prevention Fund	£171:11:0

Resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

Kirby, Herbert Ranger 10 weeks salary	
as Ranger 15th inst @ £ 2:10 /-	£25:0:0
Ditto 10 weeks rent @ 5/- to ditto	£2:10:0
Ditto Employer Insurance	£0:14:2
Ditto Postages and petty	
disbursements for the year	£1:4:2

£29:8:4

Hatchett J.W. 2nd Ranger.	
10 Weeks Salary at £2 per week	
to 15th inst	£20:0:0
Ditto Employers Insurance	£0:14:0
Ditto postages and petty disbursements	
for the year	£1:5:6
	£21:19:8

Creasey Son and Wickenden 14 weeks rent	
of 2nd Rangers cottage at 1/- to	
12th Jan rent	£8:8:0

The Clerk	
½ years salary to 31st December inst	£75:0:0
Hire of room and other petty payment	£9:4:2
Postage and receipt stamps for the year	£9:11:8
Travelling expenses and telephones	£15:16:6
	£109:12:4

Ditto 2nd Ranger fund workman's Insurance	£1:0:3
Stamp on undertaking house	£0:0:6

£1:0:9

Banister Ernest printing General Account	£5:11:0
Ditto	Fire Prevention Fund
	£11:14:6

Protection and Improvement Fund.

Also that the following areas be drawn from the Protection and Improvement Fund

Ridley F.J. Petrol for Kirby's motor cycle	£0:12:2
Martin C.E. Ditto for Hatchett	£0:17:5
Mrs. G. Nora Wall contribution to repair of forest road near Forest Edge, Nutley	£3:0:0
Mr. Thomas Osborne Ditto from Nutley Bank to Misbourne Farm	£1:10:0
	£5:19:7

It was resolved that £100 of the Fire Prevention Fund be transferred to the Eastbourne Mutual Building Society on deposit account in the joint names of the Chairman and Clerk.

### **Town Planning**

The report of the Special Sub Committee was submitted.

Resolved that the consideration of this matter be adjourned until the February meeting.

Owing to the resignation of Colonel Needham it was resolved that Sir Stanley Colville act as Chairman of the Forest Row Committee until February next.

### **Road Traffic Act 1930.**

The Clerk was instructed to submit a report on this act and its affect on the Regulation Act.

Resolved that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded the chairman for his able management of the business during the year.

The meeting terminated at 2. p.m.

H.R. Hardy  
Chairman

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### **A Meeting of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest duly convened and held at the Shelley Arms Hotel, Nutley on Wednesday the 4th February 1931 at 2.30 p.m.**

Mr. H. Ronald Hardy, Chairman  
Admiral the Honble Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B., (Vice Chairman)  
Lieut. Col. G.R. Miller  
Mr. Geo. M. Maryon-Wilson J.P.  
Mr. James Card  
Mr. James Dunning  
Mr. William Mitchell  
Mr. Thomas Osborne  
Mr. John Rowe  
and Mr. J. Brunskill representing Earl De La Warr.

Apologies for absence were received from Major Barrington, Mr. Haslam and Mr. Owen.

It was proposed by Mr. Dunning duly seconded and unanimously resolved that Mr. H. Ronald Hardy be the Chairman of the Board for the current year.

Mr. Hardy thereupon took the chair.

It was proposed by Mr. Maryon-Wilson duly seconded and unanimously resolved that Admiral the Hon Sir Stanley Colville G.C.B. be the Vice Chairman for the current year.

The Vice Chairman in accepting the appointment requested that the election should be reconsidered at the end of six months, to which the board assented.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read confirmed and signed.

The following committees were appointed for the current year

The Maresfield Committee. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Board ex officio, Lt. Col. G.R. Miller, Mr. G.D. Haslam, Mr. G.M. Maryon-Wilson, Mr. J.H. Owen, Mr. Thomas Osborne.

The Committee appoint Mr. Haslam as their Chairman.

The Forest Row Committee. The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board ex officio Mr. James Card, Mr. William Mitchell, Mr. John Rowe, Major Barrington.

The Fire Committee. The Chairman and Vice Chairman, the Chairmen of the District Committees.

A letter was read from Colonel Charles Needham expressing his thanks to the Board for their kind wishes.

### **Quarrying of stone**

The Clerk reported the receipt of further letters on this matter from the Lord's Agent and the Clerk to the County Council and that the County Council intend to make all future applications to the Board.

Mr. Brunskill accepted the position on behalf of the Lord.

### **Mrs. Musgrave's licence**

The Clerk reported that this license has been duly executed.

### **Road near Ashdown Place**

The Clerk reported that he inspected this road and was of opinion that it would be quite passable when finished. Further he had found no evidence of a public right of way on any Ordnance Map nor on the Award Map.

Resolved that no further action be taken in the matter.

### **Scale of acknowledgements**

The Board considered this matter which was deferred at the last meeting

Resolved that the recommendations of the Committee as reported be now approved and adopted.

### **Audit Committee Report**

The Committee consisting of the Vice Chairman and Lt. Col G.R. Miller present the following report which is read.

We have carried out the audit of the accounts of the Conservancy we have to day examined (1) the General Account (2) The Second Ranger Account and (3) the Account of the Protection and Improvement Fund and of the Fire Fund each for the year 1930. We have checked the balances brought forward from last year and the various receipts and have compared the payments charged to each account with the vouchers for same, and have checked the casting of the accounts and find them all correct.

The balance of each account stood on 31st December last as follows:

Account No. 1 in hand	£98:11:9
Ditto No.2 Ditto	£98:8:2
Protection and Improvement Fund	£79:7:10
Fire Fund	£169:16:6

The sum of £159:15:4 Consols, and the sum of £150 5% War Stock 1929 represent the investments held on account of the Protection and Improvement Fund.

We found the accounts well kept and correct.

The position of the Second Ranger Account is still satisfactory but the demands on the Protection and Improvement Fund continue to increase and the fund should be kept under observation.

Dated this 4th day of February 1931.  
S.C. Colville  
G.R. Miller

Resolved that the report be approved and the accounts signed by the Chairman, further that the grateful thanks of the Board be accorded to the Committee for their services.

The Committee further called the attention of the Board to the necessity for the Ranger doing all possible repairs to their motor cycles, and to the very heavy telephone charges.

Resolved that the Clerk enquire as to the cost of disconnecting the telephones during the winter months.

#### Maresfield Committee Report

The Committee present the following report of their meeting held on the 17th January 1931.

17th January 1931

The Maresfield Committee with the exception of Mr. Hardy met today to consider the reviewed application from Dr. Ormond to make up a short piece of roadway to a new garage he is erecting on his property known as "Crofts" Fairwarp. As Dr. Ormond is prepared to give up the permission to make a roadway on the west side of his property, which was granted to him some years ago by the Board, the Committee agreed to allow him to make the new roadway to the north of his property.

It will extend to some 62 yards, the roadway not to exceed a width of 9 feet. He would pay on the new scale of acknowledgements in for a length of 62 yards £1:2:6 to the Lord and a similar account to the Board.

I spoke to Mr. Hardy about this matter before seeing Dr. Ormond today and he said the Committee should have power to act as the matter was urgent.

The Committee agreed to Mrs. Warren Browne's application to remake the present road to the property "The Beacon" Fairwarp, with Forest stone.

The Committee also raised no objection to the Post Office Telephone Department laying an underground cable to her property.

G.D. Haslam.

Resolved that the report be received and their recommendations approved and adopted.

#### Road improvement Friars Gate

A letter was read from the County Surveyor enclosing a plan showing improvements to be carried out on the Duddleswell-Groombridge Road at Friars Gate at the junction of the Crowborough Road asking for the approval of the Board. The County Council undertook to replace the turf.

Resolved that the application be approved subject to the work being completed to the satisfaction of the Maresfield Committee.

#### Rangers' reports

Ranger Kirby reports that the building materials have been cleared away at "The Beacon". He has moved 10 caravans, that he accompanied the Maresfield Committee to view Dr. Ormond's road, that he warned various Commoners of Foot and Mouth disease order.

Ranger Hatchett reports that he has made enquiries as to the fencing around Hoop Shop at Forest Row which has not been removed. He has moved 12 caravans off the forest, he met Mr. Waters at Camp ground re trench and explained that it should not be started till the licence was granted. The Lord's Agent was drawing timber from Wrenn's Warren across the Forest opposite Gill's Lap, no damage being done at present. He inspected the Hoop

Yard at Forest Row with Admiral Sir Stanley Colville and the Clerk. He took a week's leave from 8th January, and that one of the greens of the R.A.F. Ladies Golf Club course was damaged by a car.

### **Road Traffic Act 1930**

The Clerk reported that he has been into this matter and is of opinion that the Forest Bye Laws are reserved by and therefore paramount to section 14 of this Act.

A letter was read from Sir. Lawrence Chubb, Secretary to the Commons and Open Spaces Society supporting that view.

The Board then went into Committee.

### **The Roebuck, Wych Cross**

The Clerk reported that Major Inglis has given notice to apply to the East Grinstead Licensing Justices on the 9th February for a justices license for the Roebuck Inn at Wych Cross and as to the preliminary steps which he has taken including offers of financial assistance from Mr. Freshfield and the Commons and Footpaths Society if the Board to desire to oppose.

Major Inglis having attended and made a statement to the Board from which it appeared that the premises would be run as a Hotel and char-a-banc traffic was being discussed.

Resolved that the Board do not oppose the application on their being given an undertaking by Major Inglis not to encourage use of The Roebuck by chars-a-banc and to \*\*\*\*\* the amenities of the forest.

The Board considered the report of the Special Sub Committee (p.407) held on the 6th November 1930 which was deferred from the last meeting.

Resolved that the report of the Committee be received and their acts and recommendations approved and adopted.

The Board then came out of Committee and re admitted the press.

### **The Hoop Yard, Forest Row**

The Clerk reported that his attention was drawn to some fencing which enclosed part of the Forest. He had since inspected the site with Admiral Colville and Ranger Hatchett and from that inspection and reference to the Award Map there appeared to be an encroachment. He had also interviewed Mr. Waters the owner of the soil by virtue of a conveyance from Lord De La Warr in 1925. Correspondence has since taken place with Messrs. Whitley Hughes & Luscombe acting for Mr. Waters, Mr. Brunskill having promised to look into the matter.

Resolved that further consideration be deferred until the next meeting.

### **Memorandum from Dr. Ormond**

The memorandum suggested that the Board should undertake the upkeep of Forest roads by the employment of under-Rangers, the expense to be borne by an assessment on the properties benefiting, and dealt with various aspects of Forest roads and the rights of Commoners and adjoining land owners.

Resolved that Dr. Ormond be informed that the Board have noted his memorandum out regret they cannot executions his suggestions which are beyond their powers.

### **Bridge at Mill Bank**

A letter was read from Mr. Nettlefold thanking the Board for their permission enabling him to erect this bridge and undertaking to repair it at his own expense.

### **R.A.F. Ladies Golf Club wire netting**

The Clerk reported that he has seen Miss Burns and that the wire netting will shortly be removed. Further that he has received a complaint from Miss. Burns in regard to one of the greens which has been cut up by a car and a request to put up notice towards warning cars off.



Resolved that the Clerk be instructed to obtain the consent of the Lord to shallow ditches being cut parallel with the road so as to prevent cars leaving the metalled road.

### **Mr. Margary application**

The Clerk read an application to continue his archaeological excavations of certain sites by Mr. Margary and it is resolved that the application be granted on the same terms as before.

### **Annual Report to Council for the Preservation of Rural England**

The Clerk reported that he had submitted a survey of the Board's work during the year to this Council.

### **Weald Electricity Company application**

The Clerk read an application by this company to lay underground mains at Forest Row as shown by an accompanying plan.

Resolved that the application be granted upon the following conditions:

- (a) That the new mains follow existing mains where possible.
- (b) An annual acknowledgement not exceeding £5 or less than £1 as may be settled by the Clerk.
- (c) As little damage as possible is caused to the Golf Course and in particular that no greens are interfered with.
- (d) The consent of the Lord being obtained.
- (e) The Company entering into a revocable license in a form approved by the Clerk and on payment of his proper charges.
- (f) The Clerk produces the Board Pass Books which show balances in hand as follows:

General Account	£105:4:9
2nd Ranger Fund	£118:6:2
Protection and Improvement Fund	£108:4:8
Fire Prevention Fund	£169:16:6

Resolved that cheques be drawn as follows:

Kirby Herbert 1 weeks salary as Ranger to 2nd inst @ £2:10:0	£17:10:0
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7 weeks rent @ 5/- to 2nd inst	£1:15:0
Ditto Employers Insurance	£0:9:11

	£19:14:11
Hatchett J.W. 2nd Ranger 7 weeks salary at £2 per week to 2nd inst	£14:0:0
Ditto Employers insurance	£0:9:11

	£14:9:11
Ditto Repayment J. & H. Friend's bill for removal of furniture	£1:10:0
Ditto Removing Shed	£0:10:0
£2:0:0	

Protection and Improvement Fund

Also that the following sums be drawn from the Protection and Improvement Fund:

East Sussex Anti-Litter League donation	£0:10:6
Ridley J.J. Petrol for Kirby's Motor Cycle	£0:10:6
Martin C.S. Ditto for Hatchett	£0:10:5
Excise license for Kirby's Motor Cycle	£3:0:0
Ditto	
Hatchett's Ditto	£3:0:0

Post Office Telephones accounts for quarters

to 31st December last

Kirby

Hatchett

£1:16:11

£1:19:5

£3:16:4

Ditto for removing Hatchett's telephone  
to his new house

£1:5:0

The meeting terminated at 5 p.m.

H.R. Hardy

Chairman