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Dec. 15th

J.M. Clark

private.

The Secretary was instructed to write a letter to the Glasgow City Council inquiring if they would be willing to take over the Town Council's putting from from the Development Committee under some form of agreement that would be agreeable to the City Council and the Committee.

J. W. Jack
Chairman.

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At Glasgow, within the ante-room of the Public Hall, on the twenty-third day of February, 1926, which day a meeting of the Glasgow Development Committee was held, at 8 p.m. There were present Rev. J. W. Jack, Chairman, with Messrs Beath, Henderson, Hay, Hume, Marshall, and Smart. The Secretary was unavoidably absent owing to indisposition. The Minutes of meeting of date Dec. 15th, 1925, were read, approved of, and signed.

Finance

The financial books were laid on the table, showing a sum in hand of £431, made up as follows:

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| On Deposit Receipt, Bank of Scotland, Perth, | £280:--:-- |
| Current Account-Cash at Bank, | 145:8:9 |
| Cash in Treasurer's hand, | 5:3:-- |
| Petty Cash, | 1:3:8 |
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Feb. 22nd The Chairman stated that Miss Stephenson had kindly consented to arrange a concert for the funds of the Committee, to take place on March 18th.

Site

The sub-committee appointed at last meeting to consider various sites reported, through the chairman, that the ground offered by General Marindin was unsuitable, owing to being too much on a slope & thus requiring too much levelling. The ground offered by Mr Wallace appeared to be the same, whereas Mr Beath's ground was practically level. After discussion, it was moved by Mr Smart that the site offered by Mr Wallace, alongside the Demerai road, be fixed on, & this was seconded by Mr Keay, provided the levelling should not cost more than £50. It was moved by Mr Marshall & seconded by Mr Hurme that Mr Beath's ground be fixed on, and this motion being supported by Mr Henderson and the chairman, was declared carried. The chairman intimated that Mr Beath was willing to sell the ground, without any encumbrances, for the sum of Fifty Pounds, the said ground to extend from the Easterton Burn to the gate on the road, and that a further piece of ground from the gate to the present barbed-wire fence would be offered in a present to the Committee, so as to leave sufficient room for a putting-course. It was resolved to purchase the ground at the sum of Fifty Pounds, and to have the title-deeds drawn up in name of the Committee or its trustees.

Road Water

The chairman submitted correspondence which he had had with the Clerk of the District Committee as to road water running into the ground referred to. There was a probability, according to the ~~letter~~ letters, of the water being deflected down the road to the Easterton Burn,

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and the Survey's Committee had appointed Messrs J. F. Smith and James Fenwick to inspect the road.

Tennis Courts

The chairman laid on the table two estimates & specifications for two hard tennis-courts, the one from Maxwell M. Hart of Glasgow, & the other from the En-Four-Cas Co. The former amounted, with accessories complete, to £374:7/-, and the latter to about £12 more. It was moved by Mr Keay and duly seconded, ^{by Mr Henderson} that Mr Hart's estimate be accepted. An amendment, made by Mr Smart, that the En-Four-Cas Company's estimate be accepted, was not seconded, and Mr Keay's motion became the finding of the meeting. It was considered that the following expenses would require to be added by the Committee, viz. -

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- Club-House or Shelter (say), £20
- Seats, and Extras (..), 10
- Purchase of ground, 50

making a total expenditure for the two courts of about £454. It was agreed to have the work commenced as soon as possible, & to have the Courts ready for play by 1st June.

Water

As water will be required for the making & upkeep, & as this cannot be secured from Slendugh supply, it was resolved to take it from the village supply.

Tennis Club

The question was discussed as to whether the Tennis Club to be formed should be linked up with the Golf Club, or should be a separate committee with its own office-bearers. It was agreed unanimously that a separate club should be formed, with a Committee half of which should be members of the Development

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Feb. 23rd Committee. The Chairman read draft of a Constitution and Rules, which he had drawn up, and this was approved of, though discussion of details was left over to another meeting.

J. W. Jack,
Chairman.

March 29th At Slough, within the ante-room of the Collett Memorial Institute, March 29th, 1926, a meeting of the Development Committee was held. There were present Rev. J. W. Jack, chairman, with Messrs Beath, Henderson, Hume, Keay, Marshall, and Smart. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved of. The Secretary was absent, being from home.

Title - Deeds

The chairman intimated that the Contractor had now commenced the construction of the two tennis-courts on Mrs Beath's ground, and that the title deeds to the ground were being drawn up by Messrs McEach & Hunter, Perth, in name of Chairman and Secretary of the Development Committee or their successors in office.

Finance

The Treasurer's books were laid on the table by the chairman, in the absence of Mr Virtue, and showed a total sum in hand of £466 odd, whereof £460 was on Deposit Receipt. The chairman and Mr Richard Hume were appointed the Committee's auditors, to audit the books not later than 1st April. Messrs Hume and Marshall were appointed a sub-Committee to arrange, if possible, for a Whist Drive or Dance in the Public Hall on behalf of the Advertising Fund.

House-letting

The scheme of house-letting detailed in Minutes of September 17th, 1925, was read by the chairman, and it was resolved to have it put into operation at the earliest time, and also to advertise Slough again in

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the Spectator, Glasgow Herald, and Dundee Advertiser, as last year, the advertising to begin as soon as possible now. Arrangements for these matters were left with the chairman.

Club House

Mr Henderson and the chairman were appointed to look out for some hut or shelter, suitable for a temporary club-house, at a cost of not more than about £20. It was agreed to provide half-a-dozen seats for the tennis grounds.

Opening

It was agreed to have the Courts opened by some exhibition match on Saturday, 29th May, and to secure four players from Perth for this purpose.

Tennis Constitution

The Draft of Constitution and Rules for the proposed Tennis Club was again read to the Committee, and after two or three emendations was finally adopted. It was agreed to have 100 copies printed, and to give one copy to every annual member of the Club. It was thought advisable to call a meeting later on of all those who are interested in the proposed Club, and ask them to nominate four of their number to act along with four from the Development Committee, so as to form a Tennis Club Committee of eight.

J. W. Jack, Chairman.

April 29th

at Slangy, within the ante-room of the Public Hall, the 29th day of April, 1926, the Development Committee met. There were present Rev. J. W. Jack, chairman, with Messrs Beath, Henderson, Hume, Keay, Marshall, and Smart. The Secretary was unavoidably absent, being in England.

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Finance

The minutes of the former meeting were read and approved of. The Treasurer's books were laid on the table and shewed a sum in hand, after paying for the tennis ground and the legal expenses, of £431 odd.

Club House

The chairman reported that Mr Henderson and he had secured a contract from Mr Alexander Deas, joiner, to erect a club house, 18 feet long by 9 wide, for the sum of £21, according to detailed specification. It was agreed to have a path made from the road to the club-house, & to have a small gate entering from the road, the path to be made by the present contractors of the courts, and the gate to be made by a local joiner after estimates are taken in for it. The chairman and Mr Henderson were appointed to take in the estimates & accept one of them.

Path
Gate

Seats

The chairman, with Mrs Home and Marshall, were appointed to buy six seats from a Perth ironmonger, and to secure a table for the club-house.

Titles

The chairman laid the title-deeds on the table, along with the legal expenses' account. He intimated that he had paid the £50 for the ground, with expenses amounting to £2:1:8, but that Messrs Mc-Cosh and Hunter, the lawyers, had generously returned their half of their expenses, amounting to £2:13:3, thus making the total expenses of the Committee only £4:7:5.

Opening

It was agreed to have tea at the opening of the Courts, and the chairman was appointed to ask Mrs Home, Mrs Marshall, and Mrs Keay if they would look after this, the tea to be given free to the Perth players and their friends and to those connected with the opening ceremony, but a charge of 4/- to be made to any others desiring to have tea.

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Advertising

It was agreed to stop the present advertisement about rooms and furnished houses to let, as most of such are already booked for the summer, and to advertise Building Sites instead. The chairman read a form of advertisement about Building, and it was resolved to put this in the Sportsman once a fortnight during May, June, July, and August, the space occupied to be one inch, and the cost to be 19/6 each insertion. It was also agreed to have a large board erected, if possible, at the Station, intimating that Building Sites are available, and to enquire whether the Railway Co. would assist in this.

J. W. Jack, Chairman.

May 13th

At Blonfarg, within the Institute, on May 13th, 1926, a meeting, which had been called by the Development Committee was held, to in order to form a Tennis Committee and Club. On the motion of Mr J. Blair Stephenson, J.P., Rev. J. W. Jack was called to the chair. After a detailed statement by the chairman relative to the cost and construction of the two tennis-courts, Mr H. H. Bonar, C.B.E., moved a vote of thanks on behalf of the community to the Development Committee for what they had done, and this was seconded by Mr J. B. Stephenson. It was agreed to add Mr Landsborough to the four members of the proposed tennis committee chosen by the Development Committee, and these five were empowered to co-opt other three members, preferably ladies. The chairman stated that the Development Committee would continue to

May 13th manage the tennis-courts until the opening day, on the 29th inst., when the tennis committee would assume control & take full charge.

J. W. Jack, Chairman.

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At Slangy, within the ante-room of the Public Hall, the second day of February, 1927, the Development Committee met. There were present Rev. J. W. Jack, Chairman, with Messrs Beath, Henderson, Hume, Kear, and Smart. The minutes of meeting on April 29th were read and approved of, as well as the minute of public meeting on May 13th.

Mr Virtue

The chairman referred to the death of the hon. secretary, Mr. W. W. Virtue, in September last, and read letter of resignation from him dated 9th August last. The chairman & committee expressed their deep regrets at his removal, and the chairman was asked to send a note of regret and sympathy to Mrs Virtue. The committee appointed Mr Charles Henderson as honorary secretary and treasurer*, while the chairman agreed to act as corresponding secretary and minute secretary, thus relieving Mr Henderson to a large extent. Mr Henderson was appointed to the Tennis Committee in lieu of Mr Virtue, the Development committee thus retaining its full quota of four members.

Tennis

Electric Light

The Committee considered a report from Messrs Read & Partners, electric lighting engineers, Reading, as to the possibility of securing electric light for the village from the Slangy Burn or the river Farg. The report had come to the committee through Mr J. W. Reid, Culrose, Slangy, who strongly advocated the scheme. The reports put the cost of plant and accessories at £1600, & there would also require to be built two or three

* with power to

operate, along with the chairman, on the Committee's account with the Bank of Scotland, Perth.

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reservoir, together with house for operator, & another for the plant. The working cost was estimated at £180 a year, & Mr Reid suggested the formation of a Company & the securing of capital locally. The Committee, after full consideration of the proposal, unanimously agreed that it was too costly and risky to embark on, especially as there is a prospect of obtaining electric light soon under the newly-formed Electricity Board appointed by the Government. The chairman was instructed to communicate with the Board at the first favourable opportunity.

Vacancy

It was agreed to ask Mr Wallace of Dimerivie to fill the vacant place on the Committee caused by Mr Virtus' death.

Seats

The question of providing seats on the roads adjoining the village was discussed, but it was agreed that this was a duty that devolved upon the Parish Council. The question also of providing a village lavatory was also raised, but the same conclusion was come to.

J. W. Jack, Chairman

May 20th

At Slonfarg, the twentieth day of May, 1927, the Development Committee met. There were present Rev. J. W. Jack, Chairman, with Messrs Beath, Henderson, Heay, and Marshall. The minutes of the former meeting were read and approved of.

Vacancy

The chairman intimated that Mr Wallace of Dimerivie was willing to fill the vacancy on the Committee.

Audit

The chairman stated that Mr Richard Home & Co had duly audited the financial books before 1st April, & that

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these were in perfect order, with a sum in hand of £7:14:6.
The Committee considered further communications from Mr J. W. Reid, advocating his scheme of electric light and also flushing of the river Farg. The Committee are still of opinion that the scheme is too costly and risky, & that the lighting should come from the Government scheme. As for the flushing of the River, they regard this as a public matter falling to the province of the Sanitary Inspector rather than to a private company.

Building

The Committee resolved to have a Board erected in Mr Charles A. Marshall's ground, with Mr Marshall's consent and subject to his removal quit at any time, the said board to have these words on it:

Excellent Building Sites available at moderate cost. Apply Secretary,

Development Committee. ~~The~~ Mr Marshall, who was present,

intimated that he would allow the board, on the conditions mentioned. The chairman was instructed to secure an estimate from Messrs Slaughter & Co., Edinburgh, for the painting of a board or for an enamelled iron plate, & to consult the members of Committee without calling a meeting.

J. W. Jack, Chairman.

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April 12th

At Glasgow, the thirteenth day of April, 1928, the Development Committee met in the ante-room of the Public Hall. There were present Rev. J. W. Jack, Chairman, with Messrs Beath, Henderson, Home, and Keay. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved of.

Audit

The chairman stated that Mr Home and he had duly audited

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the financial books before 1st April, and that these were in perfect order, with a sum in hand of £11:14/-

Electricity

The chairman read letters he had received in connection with the Crumpton Electricity Supply, from which it appeared that Blarney was within the scheme belonging to this Company, and would obtain electric light in due course when the scheme came into operation.

Public Meeting

As the Committee's three years' term ends this month, it was resolved to call a Public Meeting in the Institute on Friday, 27th inst., at 8 p.m., to submit a statement of the accounts and general affairs of the ^{committee} club, and have the office-bearers and committee re-appointed for the next triennium. All present intimated their willingness to continue members of Committee.

J. W. Jack, chairman

April 27th

At Blarney, the 27th day of April, 1928, a Public Meeting was held in the Institute at 8 p.m., to receive a report of the accounts and general affairs of the Committee, and to consider the re-appointment of the Committee for another triennium. The chair was taken by Rev. J. W. Jack, Chairman of Committee. The Minutes of the Public Meeting three years ago was read and approved of. The Chairman gave in a report of the three years work, including the making of the Tennis Courts, and referred also to what the Committee had done in suggesting Drainage, in aiding house-letting, in endeavouring to secure more houses, and in trying to arrange for electric light. He intimated that all the members of Committee were willing to serve for another three years.

It was moved by Mr Alexander Deas, and seconded by Mr Connell, Slonjary Hotel, that the Report be adopted, with thanks to the Committee. The Chairman called for any amendment, but none was forthcoming, and he declared the motion unanimously carried. It was then moved by Mr Lumsden, Lonsard Hotel, that the whole Committee of eight members be re-appointed with the office-bearers as before, and this was seconded by Mr James Brown, signalmen. There being no amendment, the chairman declared the motion unanimously carried. The meeting was closed with a vote of thanks to the chairman by Mr Alexander ~~Deas~~ Deas.

J. W. Jack, Chairman.

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April 1st

At Slonjary, the 1st day of April, 1929, the Development Committee met in the ante-room of the Public Hall. There were present Rev J. W. Jack, Chairman, with Messrs Beath, Henderson, Hume, Keay, & Marshall. The Minutes of the former meeting, as well as of the Trivial Public Meeting, were read & approved of.

Seats

The Chairman stated that the financial year was up at 1st April, & that the books had been duly audited by Mr Hume and himself, and were in perfect order, with a sum in hand of £31:14/-, whereof—£30:14/- was on Deposit Receipt. Of the sum in hand, £20 had been raised by Mr & Mrs Lumsden, Lonsard Hotel, to provide seats on the roads round Slonjary Village. The chairman stated that, as there were some seats already on the roads, & ~~that~~ ^{as} these had been repaired or provided by the Parish Council, he had communicated with the Council