

Report on the Annual General Meeting held at the
Cricket Club, Chalfont Park on 3rd July, 1964

Chairman's Report

The Chairman (Mr. J.R.T. Hooper) reported that Mr. C.G. Wickham has had to resign from the Committee owing to pressure of work and expressed appreciation for Mr. Wickham's service to the Committee. Mr. A.R. Morris had been co-opted on to the Committee.

The Chairman then referred to the laying of main drainage which, it is hoped, will commence shortly. The Amersham R.D.C. will be writing to all residents before work begins. A plan showing the approximate lines of the main drains, was displayed at the meeting. A plan showing the levels is available for inspection if desired. It was hoped that residents would have their old cesspits filled to avoid the danger from forgotten disused pits in years to come.

In consequence of the forthcoming main drainage, only essential maintenance work had been carried out during the past year. This had consisted of tar-spraying Chiltern Hill and making good in Upway. After the drains have been laid, all the principal roads on the estate will probably need attention after the drainage contractor's maintenance period has expired in about two years' time.

The Committee has been considering policy in regard to side roads and proposed to approach all residents therein, with a view to making up to the standard of the main roads on the estate after main drainage had been completed. Special arrangements would be made for Half-acre Hill but in other roads, residents would be offered making up for £30 and a half rate annual subscription subsequently.

The Chairman then referred to the developments off Lincoln Road and Lewis Lane. After some considerable difficulty, a sum of £220 had been obtained from the developers, through the Stroud Trustees, as an ex gratia payment. Steps are being taken to try to ensure that any damage to the roads resulting from the new development adjoining Crumel, will be made good by the builder.

The Chairman stated that the insurance policy in respect of the estate roads had been renewed.

The Chairman asked for observance of the 15 m.p.h. speed limit which is very necessary on the estate roads.

The future of Upway and the top of Chiltern Hill was then considered. The viewpoint that these lengths should be kept in a rough state to discourage through traffic, is resulting in waste of money on the costly filling of potholes. The meeting would have to decide on future policy with regard to making up these roads.

The Chairman concluded his report by mentioning the excellent achievement of the Hon. Treasurer who had collected subscriptions from all but eight residents (excluding Sandy Rise and Winkers Lane). Proposals for future subscriptions were 6 gns. (or half rate) with a possible reduction in future, or 4 gns. (or half rate) with a probable increase after drainage work was completed. The latter alternative would not be feasible if Upway and the top of Chiltern Hill are to be made up.

Submission of Accounts

The Chairman said that the audited accounts for the year ended 31st May, 1964, had been circulated. The accounts were approved by the meeting.

Discussion of Future Policy

It was proposed that some money should be spent on restoring the amenities of Lewis Lane.

With regard to Upway, two residents from the road said they would support a proposal to make up these roads, provided some means could be found to keep out through traffic. Several methods by which through traffic might be discouraged were then suggested. These included:-

The construction of ramps (three spaced at about a car's length apart).

Installation of self closing gates.

Narrowing the entrance to Upway.

Leaving a gap between Joiners Lane and the made-up part of the road.

It was eventually proposed that the Committee should investigate the possibility of erecting a narrow self-closing gate and that a gap should be left between the made-up portion of Upway and Joiners Lane.

Annual Subscription for 1964-5

The meeting agreed that the subscription should remain at 6gns. (or half rate).

Appointment of Committee

The present Committee was re-appointed for the coming year. The names and addresses of Committee members are:-

Mr. J.R.T. Hooper (Chairman)	Beechlawn, Chiltern Hill
Mr. M.C. Ashworth (Treasurer)	Orchards, Lewis Lane
Mr. B.W. Clarke	Greenroyd, Woodside Hill
Mr. R.W.J. Gouldbourne	Greenhedges, Lincoln Road
Mr. R.I. Morgan	Long Gables, Ellis Avenue
Mr. A.R. Morris	Ley Cottage, Ellis Avenue
Mr. F.H. Simons	Trelawney, Woodside Hill
Mr. R.P. Roche) (Jt. Hon.)	Riddings, Chiltern Hill
Mr. J.A. Loe) (Secretaries)	Brightling, Chiltern Hill

Appointment of Auditor

Mr. Brightwell was re-appointed Hon. Auditor for the coming year.

Any Other Business

The possibility of further development on the fringe of the estate was mentioned and it was suggested that the Committee should watch the plans submitted to the Council. In reply it was explained that the Committee's function is to deal with the roads on the estate but that some arrangement for dealing with this important matter would be considered.

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Chalfont Heights Roads Committee

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