

February 7th 1945.

A special Parish Meeting was held (according to notice duly published) in the Parish Room, Willand, on Wednesday, the 7th day of February, 1945.

Present:- Mr. W. Rowe, Chairman of the Parish Council, (in the Chair), Messrs & Mesdames A. Tuen, P. Barnes, A. H. Brough, S. Honeywell, W. Kemp, H. R. Sanders, W. Andrews (Pastor), W. J. Pauey, W. Walker, P. Busley, D. W. Thorne, P. Barnes (Mrs), L. M. Ludmore, G. M. Widgery, H. Actland, J. B. Spearing, A. B. Bowden, C. F. G. Ball, M. A. Tracy, D. Rowe, J. Poole, H. J. Peggally, C. J. Victory, J. H. Victory, L. C. Griffiths, C. J. H. Actland, Mrs. Lane, H. Rowe, F. Dallis, C. W. Baker, C. March, S. J. Spearing, F. Christie, J. Hamell, W. A. Hayman, P. H. Rowe, P. Dallis, P. Dunn and W. J. Thorne (Clerk to the Parish Council).

The Chairman referred to the unavoidable absence (through illness) of Mr. Albert Christie and expressed the hope (shared by all) that his recovery would be speedy and that he would soon be with us again.

The Chairman then welcomed and introduced the speaker, Mr. Richard Cottam (Regional Officer of the National Council of Social Service).

Mr. Cottam gave an interesting and instructive address on the subject of a Post-war Village Hall after which questions were invited and answered.

Mr. Honeywell proposed and Mr. C. W. Baker seconded the following Resolution which was carried unanimously:-

"That this Meeting of the Parishioners of Willand agree to the adoption of a Scheme for the erection of a Village Hall combining accommodation for a Social Club and Cultural Centre to commemorate the Victory of the Second World War as a tribute to all those who gave their services so freely. We also authorize the Parish Council, in conjunction with the Local Committee, to promote the forming of a Committee of Trustees for the purpose of accepting donations and arranging the necessary finance to enable the work to be carried out as soon as possible after hostilities cease."

A hearty vote of thanks to the Speaker (Mr. Cottam) terminated the proceedings.

W. Rowe. Chairman.

March 26th 1945.