

THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST JOHN-AT-HAMPSTEAD

REGISTERS AND RECORDS



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Tuesday 4 March 1760

At a Meeting of the Trustees at Hampstead Coffee House

Present

Mr Gardner Mr Steenon Ch. Wardens
Mr Innoxell Mr First
Mr Macl

The Minutes of last Meeting were read approved & confirmed
Mr Spateman our annualist with Mr Cook after attorney
attended this Meeting when the Deed to grant Mr Spateman
a further Annuity of 27-10-0 for her life for 2 in consideration
of a further Sum of 275-0-0 advanced by Her to the Trustees
which was then read over & executed by the following Subscribing
Trustees & by Mr Spateman

Agreed & ordered that the said consideration Money Two Hundred
Nine pence five Deniers be paid & taken for the Use of the Trust
unto Mr Robt Macl whose Receipt for the same shall be a
Sufficient Discharge unto Mr Spateman

Ordered that Mr Macl be desired to pay Mr Pories bill
for the 20 retings for the said annuity ~~at the~~ to the work 11-8-0

Ordered that Mr Macl be desired to pay the following bills
Workmen Employed in the late repairs & to soon as they shall
be sent & Adjusted & Sign'd by Mr Steenon

Mr Howard the Mason
Mr Branson Bricklayer
Mr Grantham Carpenter
Mr Bostoe Smith
Mr White Glazier

Mr Steenon
Mr Innoxell
Robt Macl
Mr Steenon
Robt First

Monday 10 March 1760

At a Meeting of the Trustees at Hampstead Coffee House

Present

Mr Gardner Mr Steenon Ch. Wardens
Mr Innoxell Mr First
Mr Macl

The Minutes of last Meeting were read approved & confirmed

Mr John Lew having ^{viewed} the Premises on Monday 3 March and considered
of the Bricklayers to be done but offered to them to perform in carrying
up the Tower His Proposals were now laid before the Trustees He says
that he must have 10 £ a Rod for the whole Brick Works Old & New
and all the Old Bricks that have been taken down & thrown in will not allow any
thing for them

Mr Steenon giving his Opinion that these Proposals were very unreasonable
and Lew not now attending

Mr Steenon was then sent to Mr Branson to know his Terms
who reports that Branson proposes

To carry up the Old work he supposes about 3 Rods at 5 £ a Rod
New Work East - Support - 6 Rods - 10 £ a Rod
to be oblig'd to the very Best Dutch Bricks

The Best Drift Mortar well Beat with a Beater
and to perform in the best manner

The Question was now put & carried for Mr Branson to be employ'd
in making good & carrying up the Brickwork of the said Tower
under the direction of Mr Steenon and to be paid the respective
prices of 5 & 10 £ a Rod

And that Mr Steenon may have such Bricks which he shall
approve he is to have the Charge & Care with Branson in the Buying
them and further is to have such proper Article as may be necessary
for the due performance of the whole work to be done by Branson

Mr Steenon then laid before us a Plan or Design for a Tower
Steeple together with a Computation of the Expence for finishing
and as the Design is approved so the whole Charge may be fully defray'd
with the Money in our hands together with 75 £ more proposed
by our Annualist Mr Spateman to advance us which Sum with
925 £ had of Her at Third diff. time before makes up the full Sum
of 1000 which the Trustees are empower'd by a General Meeting of
the Subscribers to raise for the repairs of the Church & Completing of
the Steeple as in fol. 203 & with the Consent of the L^d of the Manor in
a Copy of the Instrument fol. 333.

Robt Macl
Edw Innoxell
Mr Steenon
Robt First

At a Meeting at Hampstead Coffee House 7 April 1760

Present
Mr Gardner
Mr Ince
Mr Mael
Mr Steentzen
Mr Hirst

The Minutes of last Meeting were read approved & confirmed
Agreed that Mr Mael be desired to write to Mr Baleman
that ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~same~~ ^{same} take of Her Seventy five Pounds more
and to pay Her the same consideration as ~~before~~ for the last
advanced 975-7-10-0 Annuitie for her life for the same
being to Exp^d 9 ann.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read approved & confirmed
Robt Mael
Jn Steentzen
Robt Hirst

Monday 14 April 1760

At a Meeting of the Trustees at Hampstead Coffee House

Present
Mr Gardner
Mr Ince
Mr Mael
The Revd Mr Warren
Mr Brewster
Mr Hirst
Ch Wardens

The Minutes of last Meeting were read approved & confirmed
The years Act for 1759 was now examined & settled
& the Balance then remaining in the hands of Robt Mael
appears to be 9 Pounds by Mael to be one Hundred & Sixty
five Pounds 17-2 as in Act Book Folio 100

Mr Steenson attended this Meeting with the Design for Completing the Tower
& brought the particular Estimates of the whole Charge as below
vizt Mr Howards the Masons agreement ^{where} Executed 90-0-0
Mr Brauns agreement at 5 L 10 S L Hampstead 75-0-0 Computed
Mr Steensons proposal for an Oak floor & Joist in Tower 21-10-0
Plumbers Work Computed - - - - - 26 - - -
4 Nails 4d for Top of the Tower - - - - - 28 - - -
3 Caps 3d for Side of the Parsonal East End }
together with Charges from Parish Computed } 1-11-6
Mr Graves Painter his bill by agreement - - - - - 242-4-6

Survey of Mr Steenson for his Attendance
& Direction in Completing the Steeple
& Repairs within the Church - - - - -

Robt Mael
Jn Steentzen
Robt Hirst

165-17-2 In hand as above
25-17-2 Not less than this sum is necessary to be refer'd
to be in Aid for answering Annuities & other Annual Charges
120-0-0 will remain
75-0-0 Mr Baleman will further advance 1000 L
215-0-0 Towards the whole Computation above

The Annual Charge now
Incumbent upon the Trustees
for 1000 of Mr Baleman 87-10-0
for 150 of the Parish - - - - - 6 - - -
for 150 of Mr Ince - - - - - 112-0-0
officers - - - - - 7-0-0
Insurance - - - - - 4-0-0
Incident Extra - - - - - 113-10-0

Collect The New Rent 1759 = 86-11-7d

Thursday 15 May 1760

At a Meeting of the Trustees at Mr. Coles Attorney in Salisbury Court

Present
Mr Small The Revd Mr Warren
Mr Macl Mr Hoger Ch. Wardens
Mr Foye

Mr Joshua Pateman desired this Meeting and then the Minutes
I paid to the Trustees the further Sum of Seventy five Pounds
upon the Consideration of a further Sum of Seven Pounds Ten Shillings
to be paid for Surveyors Fees as by Deed then read over & presented
the first quarterly payment to be due & paid to her 4th of September next

Robt Macl
Edw Spruell
Robt Winst
John Foye
Lazjun Warner

N.B. The above 75 £ makes up & completes the sum of 1000 £ 0 0
and which the Trustees have wholly received of Mr Pateman at different
Times at Reasonable Payments & in discharging the Trusts agreeable to the
Deeds gave unto the Trustees at a general Meeting of the subscribers
next of Month 1760 by Copy of the Deed of Trust the Sum of 333. 334
3 4 for the Money not exceeding 1000

of Mr Pateman	1756	400	0	0	at 10 p c	30	0	0
	1757	250	0	0	at 9	22	10	0
	1760	275	0	0	at 10	27	10	0
	1760	0	0	0	at 10	7	10	0
		1000	0	0			87	10

Monday the first of Decemr 1760

At a Meeting of the Trustees at Stamford Coffee House

Present
Mr Gardner Mr Hoger Ch. Wardens
Mr Spruell Mr Foye
Mr Macl

The Minutes of last meeting were read approved & confirmed
Mr Steemson attended to settle the several Workmens Bills and was then
Paid at Surveyor for Surveying and amending the Carving up & finishing the Tower
& some further Drains in the Church Sixteen Pounds Sixteen Shillings
Mr Gardner was next repaid for the 6 Pinnacles Work or Charges provided by him
from 1756 10 0 0 with Charges 7 18 0 Together Twenty one Pounds Eighteen Shillings
The Larkbeck Portland Stone which happily had not fallen down
but being taken down was now sold for One Pound Twelve Shillings 1 12 0
The Chain used in the Tower being of no further use was now sold
at 1/4 p lb. Wt 230 L. & 20 L. other de Iron Together 270 - Paid for 1326 1 19 4 1/2
The old Beard & Paths used to secure the Slating Head of Branson
was paid for to him in a former acct 2 18 0 and now taken again by him has allowed for
in this last settled acct 2 6 0

The following Acks are debtd and remains unpaid
1760 Mr Steemson for the floor to carry the Lead top of the Tower 18 15 10
Mr Howard the Mason 52 10 0
Mr Brantons 14 14 0
Mr Granthams 8 4 0
Mr White Plasterer 1 14 0
Mr Hawks Plasterer 1 14 0
Mr Graves Painter

Robt Macl
Edw Spruell
John Foye
Robt Winst

Tuesday 2 June 1761.

At a Meeting of the Trustees at Hampstead Coffee House

Present The Rev. Mr. Warren
Mr. Gwynn Mr. Inceall
Mr. Mael 160 Mr. Fitch

The Minutes of last Meeting were Read, Approved & Confirmed
The General Annual Account for 1760 The Particulars
whereof being Dubt'd in account Bookes fol^o 101. 102.
was now Audited whereby it appears and is mutually
Agreed that there remained a Balance in the Hands
of Robt Mael Due to the Trustees in 200^l 10^s 10^d 3^d
as by the said Account Approved, allowed & Signed
by Robt Mael & other Trustees present

Robt Mael
Langhorn Warren
Mr Gwynn
Edw Inceall
John Gwynn
E. Finch, His Man
Robt. Hirst

Monday 7 June 1762.

At a Meeting of the Trustees at Hampstead Coffee House

Present Rev. Mr. Warren
Mr. Gwynn Mr. Inceall
Mr. Mael Mr. Fitch

The Minutes of last meeting were Read, approved & confirmed
The General Acc^t for 1761 was now Audited The Particulars
whereof are enter'd in bookes for that purpose fol^o 103
whereby it appears upon examining with the respective
Vouchers That this years present & ordinary Disbursements
to Lady Day 1762 amount to 113^l 10^s 8^d
and that the Incident Charges small repairs &c 4^l 13^s 0^d
and Contra on last setting June 1761 118^l 3^s 0^d
Robt Mael was paid 10^l 13^s 3^d
and the year ending Mich^l 10^l 12^s 6^d
1761. has been paid fol^o 103.

And upon Balance was Due to Mael
Two Pound^s thirteen Shillings 8^d
Mary King Widow attended & desired to be employ'd in the
care of the Galleries in the room of Mary Heyes Deceast. w^{ch} then order'd
Mr. Stremson & Mr. Howard attended this Meeting when a
Motion was made That they shall be allow'd 9^l Paid
6^l 0^s 0^d p Ann. 7^l 0^s 0^d Commence from 5 March 1761
upon the Debt of 52. 10. 0. due to Howard Main
& upon the Debt of 18. 15. due to Stremson for Carpenters Work

The Debts now remaining due =
Howard principal 52. 10. 0
Stremson principal 18. 15. 0
Bramson about 16. 17. 0
Grantham at 8. 4. 0
Whitt 13. 7. 0
Grave 3. 5. 0
112. 18. 0

Langhorn Warren
Mr Gwynn
Edw Inceall
John Gwynn
Robt. Mael

N B. Saturday Evening 26 June 1762. The Rev. Mr. Langhorn Warren
Minister. One of the Trustees. Departed this Life Age 51.
And Saturday 9 October 1762 Dyed Mr. Bateman our Annuitant
87. 10. 0 p Ann. See Aut Book fol^o 125.

Monday 2. May 1763.

At a Meeting of the Trustees at Hampstead Coffee House
Mr Gardner = Present = The Rev Mr Erasmus Warren
Mr Inaxell } Mr Edw Finch } ch Warden
Mr Macl } Mr Jn Reynolds }

The Minutes of last Meeting were Read. approved & Confirmed

The Several Workmen hereunder named shewed and their
Accounts & Paid & included in Act 1762 shews as below
33¹ White & How - 3-13-6
Greenham - 1-1-
Watt - 3-14-

The General Acc^t for 1762 was now Audited See in account
Booke Folio 104) whereby it appears There
has been Paid the year ending Lady Day 1763. 120 18 2¹/₂
And on Contra has been Paid one year Rent ending Mich^l 1762 99 17 6
The Balance due to R Macl Treasurer is the sum of 21 = 8¹/₂

Mary Gardner & Elizabeth King the Parties concerned
in the Care of the Galleries who instead of being paid 20^s per year each
The Trustees have this Meeting acquainted them that for the
future they shall be paid Every half year from Lady Day last
Each of them One Guinea to engage their Care
And Mr Readshaw Collector was also acquainted that for
future the Trustees + + + + + in consideration of
the business being increased in Collecting Rents & otherwise
would pay them Eight Pounds per year
Ordered. That the Lower Windows of the Church be cleaned
at least once in the year in May

Edw Inaxell
John Reynolds
The M^{ch} of Rev Finch
Ch^l Gardner
Erasmus Warren

Debts now incumbent on the Trustees
Vizt
Branion - 5-17-6
Grave - 7-17-
Batemans Ex^t - 8-10-
West field ob^t 2-
Treasur^r - 21-0-8¹/₂
45-4-8¹/₂
Greenham - 18-15-
85 p^{ts} a^s M^{ch} 1764
M^{ch} 5 p^{ts} a^s Mar 1764 - 52-10-

Contra Lady Day Rent - 260
expected to produce about

Monday 14. May 1764.

At a Meeting of the Trustees at Hampstead Coffee House
pursuant to the Summons &c to the then respective Trustees 12 May 1764
Mr Inaxell } Present } The Rev Mr Warren
Mr Macl } } Mr Reynolds } ch Wrd 1763
} } Mr Rob^t Joyce } ch Warden

The Minutes of last Meeting were then Read approved & Confirmed

The General Account for 1763 was now Audited See in Account
Booke Folio 105. whereby will appear That there
has been paid the year ending Lady Day 1764. 105 = 177 17 10¹/₂
And on Contra has been Paid one year Rent ending Mich^l 1763 112 63
So that the Balance hereof due Rob^t Macl Treas^r admitted fol^o 305 = 68 11 7¹/₄
appears Sixty five Pounds 11. 7¹/₄

Erasmus Warren
Edw Inaxell
Rob^t Macl
John Reynolds } ch Warden
Rob^t Joyce }

Monday the 10th of June 1765

A Meeting of the Trustees of the Congregational Church
Held pursuant to the Warrant of the Court to the then
Respective Trustees the 8th of June 1765

Erasmus Warren	Present	Robt. Macle
George Bapine		The Gardener
John Sparrow		
Robt. Fryer		

The Minutes of last Meeting were then read Approved & Confirmed

The General Account for 1764 was now Audited
and in Account with £106 Whisky & 100 shillings
that there has been paid the preceding Saturday 1765 - 100 16 1 1/2

And that the Balance hereof Due unto Robt. Macle
Two £ Alms due for 1764 appears to have been
paid to the said Robt. Macle for the year 1764 - 103 5 9 1/2

Mr. Macle reports that when last day of
1764 of which there will be about Fifty Pounds
in his hands

Ordered that the Old South Sea Annuities stock
shall be purchased by Mr. Robt. Macle and be
transferred in the Names of the Rev. Erasmus
Warren Minister and Mr. George Bapine and
Mr. John Sparrow present Church Wardens
and their Executors in trust for the use and
Benefit of the Trustees of the Congregational Church
and Mr. Robt. Macle do likewise. Money sufficient
for such purchase

Erasmus Warren Min^r
George Bapine
Robt. Macle
John Sparrow
Church Wardens
1765

Vol. 1. N.B. See Copy of Articles of Subscription to Dated 24 June 1744 & 4th 4th 4th 16
for pulling downe the Old Church and Building the New

Vol. 7. At the first & general Meeting of the Subscribers - 22 Sept 1744
12 - Trustees were elect^d Qualified as being Inhabitants and Subscribers of 20 least
and also having 20 £ a Year in Their Own Right at least
3 - Trustees more Viz^t The Minister and the Two Ch. Wardens for the time being
15 - And Their Successors as provided by the Articles making the whole Number Trustees - 15

Now from the Death of Mich^l Waitfeld Esq^r Viz^t 2 Decemb 1765
The whole Number of 15 Trustees being reduced to 7 including The
present Minister and the Two Ch. Wardens These Seven
hereunter named are to Nominate and Appoint Eight New
Trustees Qualified as aforesaid And in Two Months to fill up
The original Number of 15 Trustees

The ^r Gardener Esq ^r	The Rev ^d Mr Erasmus Warren present Minister
Gerard Howard Esq ^r	Mr Geo. Bapine
Mr Robt Macle	Mr John Sparrow
Mr Edw ^d Inxell	

present Ch. Wardens

And in pursuance and agreeable to the above premises the following Summons
was sent to the said Respective Seven Surviving Trustees

Viz^t Sir You are desired to Meet the Rest of the Trustees for Building and
repairing the Church - On Saturday next the 18th at 12 a Clock
not to exceed At the dwelling House of Mr Inxell To elect Eight New
Trustees The Surviving Number by the Death of Mr Waitfeld Esq^r
being now reduced to Seven
Dated Hampstead 16 Jan^y 1766
Sign^d W. Beardshaw Collector

N.B. - This meeting broke up & no business done
and another Day appointed as below -
Dated Hampstead 22 Jan^y 1766

Viz^t Sir You are desired to meet the Rest of the Trustees on the 22nd at 12 o'clock at Inxells
to elect 8 new Trustees being reduced as above
& to bring your List for 8 duly Qualified in order to Ballot

Stamford Sunday 21th January 1766

A Meeting then of the Trustees for Building and Repairing the Church. At the Dwelling House of M^r Edward Snowell, Agreeable to Notice (Copied in Vol: 239) and wit to all the Seven Trustees remaining Viz Four of the Twelve at first Elected And the Minister and Two Church Wardens for the time being M^r George Snowell

M ^r Tho ^s Gardner Esq ^r	Present	M ^r Geo ^r Rufsey
Geo ^r Howard Esq ^r		M ^r Tho ^s Spenser Ch ^r Warden
M ^r Rob ^t Mael		
M ^r Tho ^s Snowell		

The Gardner Esq^r in the Choice
By the Death of Rich^d Woolfield Esq^r the 1st of Decem^r
the Number of the Trustees are Reduced to Seven
Including the Minister and the present Two Church
Wardens And this Meeting is appointed purely for
Election Eight New Trustees to fill up the Original
Number of Fifteen and the Election to be Ballot by the
said Surviving and Temporary Trustees, or a Majority of them

In Pursuance then of this Ballot was made
and the following Persons had the Majority and were
duly Elected and Qualified

M ^r Tho ^s Snowywood	}
Rob ^t Cary Esq ^r	
M ^r Rob ^t Vincent	
M ^r Charles Jackson	
Tho ^s Dingley Esq ^r	
M ^r Tho ^s Libbott	

Ordered that the said gentlemen have Notice then of

The said
Rob^t Mael

Ch. Wardens	Geo ^r Warren
	Tho ^s Snowell
	Geo ^r Rufsey
	Tho ^s Spenser

Stamford April 21st 1766

A Meeting then of the Trustees for Building and Repairing the Church at the Dwelling house of M^r Tho^s Libbott Agreeable to Notice

Charles Dingley Esq ^r in the Choice	
M ^r Rob ^t Mael	M ^r Tho ^s Libbott
M ^r Tho ^s Vincent	M ^r Tho ^s Spenser Ch. Warden

The Minutes of the last Meeting were then Read
Approved and Confirmed

At this Meeting M^r Charles Dingley Propos'd to have
an Organ for the Church if approved of by the Satey of
the Manor and in such Case the Trustees to Borrow
on 1/2 Annuitys what Money they shall have Occasion
for such Organ and setting up the same not Exceeding
the sum of 500^l and that there may be a Vestry
call'd in order to have the Approbation of the Parish

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It being likewise Propos'd there be a Subscription to raise about the sum to be Invested in the Funds for the Salary of the Organist and other Seasonal Charges it is agreed that the Bro^r W^m Warren be desired to acquaint the Society of the Manner of this Proposal and that a Copy of the Minutes be sent to every Member that is not Present in order for further Consideration of this Proposal at the next Meeting

- Rob^t Macl
- Rob^t Vincent
- Tho^s Sibthorp
- John Sparrow
- Charles Dingley

Stamford, Monday June 2^d 1766

At a Meeting then of the Trustees for Building and Repairing the Church at the dwelling House of Mr Tho^s Sibthorp. As follows to wit

Presents

Master Lane in the Chair

- s. Mr Rob^t Macl
 - s. Mr Tho^s Goddard
 - s. Mr Ch^s Dingley
 - s. Mr Ch^s Johnson
 - s. Mr Tho^s Sibthorp
 - s. Bro^r W^m Warren
- } Mr John Sparrow } Ch. Macl

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and the Consideration in regard to the Organ was Postpon'd Tho^s Account of Mr Macl Treasurer for the Year 1765 was now Read and with the Vouchers and the Balance due to him was then settled to wit ten Pounds ten Shillings and 2/4 Mr Macl Acknowledges that he has Purchas'd with the said Money at twice Sixty Five pound - Old Annuity Stock Cost Sixty six pounds nine shillings, He has also attended and Propos'd him self Sew up the same and the Care of clearing the lower part of the Church in the Town of Mr^s Bradshaw being now Appointed Clerk which was refer'd to the next Meeting

Adjourn'd to Saturday the 11th Jun^y 1766

- Rob^t Macl
- Tho^s Sibthorp
- Ch^s Dingley
- Ch^s Johnson
- Rob^t Vincent
- W^m Warren
- Tho^s Sibthorp

Mr. Mear has been from them and a Vault has been ^{made} by Mr. Mear in the Church
 against the Opinion of the Trustees who thin not and the Trustees now have
 resolved to have a Surveyor to be informed if detrimental
 Mr. Mear has Dignity has laid before the Trust a Proposal to have an Organ
 and that he will contribute largely the Consideration has been Postponed from
 time to time and a Copy of such Proposal the Copy of the same may have
 of the Trustee that the Trustees may have for & take on the 22nd July 1766

- Mr. Lane
- Robt Mear
- Mr. Cary
- Mr. Mear
- Mr. Tibborth
- Mr. Dingley

Stamptoad July 26th 1766

Present Messrs Lane in the Chair
 Mr. Mear Mr. Jackson
 Mr. Cary Mr. Tibborth

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & Confirmed
 Several Resolves, Appraisals and Producers Claims to their several Shares the further
 consideration of which were Postponed to a further Meeting Other Resolves who
 had Notice to Attend and make out their Claims not Approving
 Ordered That those who have not appeared should have Notice of the
 next Meeting and attend then to Attend
 Also Postponed the Resolving by a proper Surveyor into the just
 Construction of a Vault the in the Middle Aisle the same being to be by Order
 above of the Trust Mr. Mear & Linkbery is Opinion of the Trust Trustees
 to have Notice that the Trustees do
 at Mr. Tibborths to Enter on Review
 at 8 o'clock to wit the Name of said Res

- The proper Instrumentation
- of Mr. Mear's Report for N^o 63
- Mr. Jackson's Report for N^o 80
- Mr. John Stokers for N^o 10

Robt Mear
 Mr. Jackson
 Mr. Tibborth
 Mr. Cary

Hampstead January the 24th 1767

A Meeting of the Trustees at the Kings Arms

- Present
- Mr Dingley in the Chair
 - Mr Macl
 - Mr Vincent
 - Mr Jackson
 - Mr Silthorpe
 - Bro^r M Warren
 - Mr Sparrow
 - Mr Byjess

Church Warden

The Minutes of last Meeting were read but no Person having yet appeared to make out their Claims to the Respective Pew therein some Order'd that they shall have further Notice to Attend, And with respect to the New Vault Built by Bro^r M Warren

Ordered that Mr Stinson (being well acquainted with the Nature of Our ground in being Employed to move the whole of the Pews & Stairs (as the old spot) should also be desired that he will Inspect every Part in and about the said Vault and have his Opinion whether any Damage may arise from the same to the Church

Resolved that an Organ is very proper for Hampstead Church and that a Vestry be called to raise by Subscription of the Parishioners and others a sufficient Sum for the Purchase and Erecting of one and for the said Organ to be confined to Accompany the Sermon only And that the Parishioners have Notice on Sunday the 25th January and on Sunday the 1st of February 1767 that they are desired to meet in the Vestry Room on Monday the 2^d of February at 12 o'clock precisely to take into Consideration the Erecting of an Organ for Hampstead Church

Warren
 Jackson
 John Stinson
 Bro^r Dingley
 Rob^t Macl
 Rob^t Vincent
 Bro^r Silthorpe

Hampstead February 7th 1767

A Meeting of the Trustees for Building and Repairing the Church in the Vestry Room

- Present
- Mr Macl
 - Mr Vincent
 - Mr Silthorpe
 - Bro^r M Warren
 - Mr Sparrow Church Warden

The Minutes of last Meeting were read And the Consideration of the New Vault and those Pews were put off to future days And in regard to the Organ pursuant to Notice in the Church two Sundays The Parishioners were Assembled in Vestry the 2^d of February 1767

When a Motion was made and Question put to have an Organ in the Church and was carried ^{Unanimously} And a further Motion being made & Question put that Mr Brays Organ should be Erected in the Church and voted upon Trial was also ^{Unanimously}

And by the Vestry it was then Recommended that if Trustees for the Church would be at the Expence in moving & Erecting same

Now it is Our Opinion at this Meeting and that instead of Our Resolution at last Meeting relating to a New Organ We do Agree to suspend for the present the taking in Solliciting any Subscription for a New Organ

Agreed also that Mr Brays Organ at the Trustees Expence be brought and Erected in the Church in Order to know how suitable it will be to Our Church and how agreeable to the Parishioners, And we do also Appoint Mr Bray in Divine Service to Perform thereon & to Accompany the Sermon only Adjourned the Consideration of Monuments to next Meeting when the Trustees be desired to attend on a special Affair

Warren
 Rob^t Vincent
 Bro^r Silthorpe
 Rob^t Macl
 Bro^r Dingley
 John Stinson

Hampstead January 28th 1767

A Meeting of the Trustees for Building and Repairing the Church in the Vestry Room

Present

- M^r Gardner
- M^r Dingley
- M^r Macl
- M^r Vincent
- M^r Jackson
- M^r Salthorn
- M^r Sparrow (by Motion)

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and Confirmed. Resolved That it is the Unanimous Opinion of the Trustees Present that there be no Monuments Erected within the Church

And That the Vault which has been made in the Church has been done contrary to the Opinion of the Trustees

M^r Sparrow Took in Gifts Offered this Meeting and Presented a Specimen of His Performance - David playing upon the Organ in Minstrel - And Proposed to make a drawing on the Subject suitable for One Circular Window with such Borders around as shall be Approved And to Perform the same in a Convenient Manner to Profit Satisfaction for a Sum not Exceeding Twenty Pounds

But as the Organ in a few days will be completely finished & ready for Divine Service And it being Necessary and very Agreeable that there shall be no delay and to prevent any damage And as the Windows of Sacred Glass require some time for due Performance for finishing and setting up And Also that it may be very well done and set up after the Organ shall be Erected

Therefore the further Consideration at Present is put off to a future Meeting And M^r Sparrow is to have Notice to Attend

And That to give the Present Surmise that the round of the Organ be not obstructed & prejudiced That before it is put up the Circular Windows shall have a temporary performance of Deal fixed in the Place designed & Proposed for the Painted Window

M^r Vincent
 M^r Jackson
 M^r Macl
 M^r Sparrow
 M^r Salthorn

Hampstead June 6th 1767

A Meeting of the Trustees for the Church at the Kings Arms

Present

- The Miss Lane
- Charles Dingley Esq^r
- M^r Macl
- M^r Cary
- The Gardner Esq^r
- M^r Macl
- Thom^s Salthorn

The Minutes of last Meeting were read Approved & Confirmed The Account for Years of 66 was now Audited and the Balance there due to M^r Macl Esq^r One Pound ten Shillings Six Pence Nothing

And the Treasurer Admitted to be One Hundred Pounds Old Family Stock Granted in his Name which is the sole Property of the Trustees for the Church BUT drawing to be issued of all future South Sea and the new directed to Trustees for the same

Resolved that M^r Macl be desired to Attend and Answer for the said 100^l Old Family Stock unto M^r Cary Esq^r and the Reverend M^r Sparrow Warren

Agreed that Ben South be paid His bill for Repair of the Organ Agreed that the several bills relating to the Organ and incumbent upon the said M^r Macl the Organ Knitter M^r Whitt Carpenter M^r Bawley Upholterer M^r Graves Senter Church Ward

Ordered that M^r Sparrow have Notice to Attend this Sun and Examine the Vault in the Church made by the Trust M^r Sparrow contrary to the Opinion of the Trustees in order to have his Opinion if any Injury appears or may arise therefrom

M^r Bawley Organ having been well up and done this month and to satisfaction it was now proposed and the agreed Opinion at this Meeting that M^r Bawley should be allowed 10^l a Year for the Use of Her Organ during Her Natural Life And that at Her Death from thence the said Organ should become the Property of the Trustees in being and thus to continue And that she should be above Payment by the Trustees for the Church during their Tenure and to be paid a Salary of Thirty Pounds a Year to commence from Lady day next And that she should be at the Charge of keeping the Organ in constant Tune and in good Repair and Her Expenses

Ordered that the Trustees have Notice to meet on Saturday 20th at 10 o'clock in order to approve or dissent from Opinion of the Trustees as a Loan to be lent to M^r Cary & other Affairs

The Trustees for the Church being convened in Church Tenure M^r Dingley Proposed by a proper Person be Employed to draw out a Plan of what Ground without the Church Yard since with wanting to make a Comp^t but sufficient Book

Ordered that the Planer what Consideration shall be required by the Trustees for the same and the Trustees draw out a Copy of the same to be 66^l charged by them in Order toward it in a Loan to the said M^r Cary

M^r Dingley
 M^r Cary
 M^r Macl
 M^r Sparrow
 M^r Salthorn

Hampstead June 17 1767

At a Meeting then of the Trustees in the Vestry Room in
Hampstead Church pursuant to Notice

Present

- Geo^d Howard Esq
- W^m Macl
- The Rev^d W^m Warren
- W^m Vincent
- W^m Gibson
- W^m Aldthrop
- W^m Cooper Ch. W. d. n.

W^m Gibson the Surveyor being requested to inspect into
the Vault in the Church made his Report to the Gentlemen of the
Trust that he has this day Surveyed the Vault and it is his
Opinion that it will be always detrimental in any Respect
so far as he can see

Sign by Sam^l Stearns
 The Rev^d Aldthrop
 Geo^d Vincent
 Rob^t Macl
 Warren

Hampstead June 20 1767

The Minutes of the 17th of June were Read Over Approved & Confirmed

Present

- Thomas Gardner Esq
- Charles Dingley Esq
- W^m Rob^t Macl
- W^m Charles Jackson
- W^m Vincent
- W^m Aldthrop
- W^m Rob^t Howard Ch. W. d. n.

Ordered that W^m Anne Key shall be paid by the Trustees for
Hampstead Church and their Successors for the use of the Organ during
the Natural Life Ten Pounds a Year to commence from Lady day 1767
the first Payment to be made at Michaelmas 1767 Upon this certain
condition and agreement Signed by Her Self That upon Her Death
the said Organ shall there become the sole and Absolute Property of the then
said Trustees and their Successors for the proper use and Service of the Church

Ordered that we do Appoint and confirm W^m Anne Key to be our
Organist during Our Shewing and that she do Rec^d Ten Pounds a
Year from Lady day the 1st of half year to be due and Payable Mich^l 1767
the keeping the Organ in constant due Order and Tune and also Appoint
a Blower at the Organ Expence

Ordered That upon all future Successors for Organist the same
to be by the Trustees of the Church and to be continued during their Shewing
and upon such other Conditions as shall be Proposed

Resolved that W^m Macl be desired to take an Opportunity to
Enquire of the Heirs of the late Richard Westfield Esq^r deceased upon what
consideration they will please to Grant sufficient Ground Abutting upon
the Church Yard in Order to be used only as a Sabbath School and Chancel
Road and for the Way from Church to them in and through Mr^s Guyons and
Road over the Bridge to West End and Townhall

I Anne Bray in pursuance of the above Minutes & Proposals
have signed the following Agreement with the Trustees for the Church
I do Approve and Accept of an Annuity of Ten Pounds
during my life to commence from Lady day 1767 to be paid half yearly
the first five pounds to be due and paid Mich^l 1767 and that in
consideration of the said Annuity of Ten Pounds I do hereby agree
to give and do hereby Agree to Contract with the said Trustees
to grant unto them for my life the sole and free Use of my Organ
from Lady day 1767 until my decease being paid to my decessors
in full the then Trustees had their Successors as is hereby Agree
to give and do hereby acknowledge the great favour shewn by
the Trustees in appointing me Organist with 30^l Salary yearly
I do now beg the favour that they will please to Order the
Copy of our Agreement from their Minutes

W^m Vincent
 W^m Aldthrop
 Rob^t Howard
 The Trustees

Witness William Headshap, Secy^r of 1767