

THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST JOHN-AT-HAMPSTEAD

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of probably not less than £2500; and that a
 Survey of the East End, to contain Six Hundred
 additional Seats, would cost £4000. —
 Comparing the Cost of the Alterations with the advantage
 obtained by it, it is evident that this last mentioned
 plan is relating the Cheapest. But considering
 that a new Chapel to accommodate One Thousand
 persons may be erected at a Cost of £3000, and
 that if Two Hundred Seats were left free
 and unappropriated, the Poor Work done at
 the former a sufficient Fund for the maintenance
 of a Minister, cannot help strongly arguing for
 the more opulent Inhabitants of St. Dunstons
 the excellent desirability of such a plan; and
 I would request the Trustees to consider the
 expediency of bringing the question before them
 who may be it best to take an interest in providing
 for the religious instruction of their poor, rather than
 a Fund in aid of the same, or erecting a new
 Chapel may instead be derived from the same source
 solely to the Building and bettering of Churches
 and Chapels, and indeed a great deal of help would
 would probably be made towards an effectual
 enlargement. — If there is no chance of a
 new Chapel, I would then strongly urge an
 effort to raise the sum necessary for the more
 extended alterations proposed by Mr. Callaway.
 The Parishes are well then have their increase
 worth; which will make the case of £2500
 be supported upon an addition of Two Hundred
 and thirty three Seats, an expense of nearly
 £10 per Seat; whereas an entire & beautiful
 may be built at the rate of £5 per Seat.
 I remain Dear Sir your obedient servant
 E. J. Landon - The Trustees of
 St. Dunstons Church.

Resolved

That a Copy of the Bishop's Letter be sent to
 each of the Trustees and that at the same time the
 attention of the Trustees be called to the subject
 and an earnest request made to them to attend
 the next Meeting and to come prepared to express
 their Sentiments and opinion thereon.

Resolved

That the expediency and practicability of
 making a more convenient approach to the
 Church by opening a Street from the East End of
 Church Row into the High Street as recommended
 in the Petition entered in the Minutes of the
 last Meeting be referred to a Committee for
 consideration and to make a Report thereon
 and that such Committee do consist of the
 following Trustees Charles Boscawen, Thomas
 Shephard and Henry White Esquires and Mr.
 Paxon and Mr. Luce & Churchwarden.

New
 Avenue
 proposed
 continued
 of Ch. Row
 to High St

Adjourned to Tuesday the 15th of
 June Instant to meet at the
 Workhouse at half past Nine o'clock
 in the forenoon.
 J. White

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At an adjourned Meeting of
the Trustees of the Church for
the purpose of carrying into execution
the before mentioned Act holden
at the Committee Room in
Hampstead Workhouse on
Tuesday the 15th of June 1830
at half past Nine o'clock in the
forenoon

Present

Rev. J. White the Minister in the Church
Rev. A. M. Simpson (Assistant Minister)
George Spore
Henry White
William Brier
John Lewis Sadleir
Richard Northgold
George Farrow
John Livock (Churchwarden)

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read
and signed by the Chairman.

The Committee appointed at the last
Meeting to consider and report upon the
expediency and practicability of making
a more convenient approach to the Church
by opening a Street from the West End of
Church Row into the High Street presented
their Report which was read.

Resolved
That such Report be received and
entered in the Minutes - To the Trustees
of the Hampstead Church Act - The Committee
appointed to consider and report upon the
practicability of making a better approach

to the Church from the High Street having taken
into consideration the plans submitted for
making a Carriage Road from Church Row into
the High Street and the probable expense of carrying
the same into execution, are of opinion that such a
desirable object cannot be accomplished by the
Trustees inasmuch as the expense will considerably
exceed in amount the sum authorized to be raised
for the repairs or enlargement of the Church and
for all the other purposes of the Act and no specific
proposal having been received (as was expected)
from an Individual undertaking to accomplish
such object with the assistance of the Trust, your
Committee are of opinion that the project must
necessarily be abandoned by the Trustees - Your
Committee however beg to recommend that the
vacant ground on the South side of Dennis Court
which is now offered to be let on building Leases
with the Wooden House at the West End thereof the
value of the fee simple of the House and Land being
estimated upon a rough calculation at £700-0-0
or thereabouts be purchased by the Trustees for the
purpose of opening a more commodious pathway to
the Church and of preventing a number of small Houses
from being erected on the site which would be highly
injurious to the Parish at large and more particularly
to the Inhabitants of Church Row and your Committee
beg to suggest as the most eligible mode of carrying
the same into effect that a voluntary Contribution
be entered into for the purchase of the same according
to the 52^d Section of the Act of Parliament - Passed
this 12th day of June 1830 - Tho: Shepherd,
Henry White, John Livock, Geo. Farrow

Resolved
That in the opinion of this Board it is expedient
to purchase the House and vacant Ground in

Parliament Court for the purpose of improving the Highway to the Church and that it be referred back to the same Committee to procure from Mr. Vallinoy a Plan of the Premises proposed to be purchased and a detailed Estimate of the expense of making such improvement in order that the same may be submitted to the Board at a future Meeting and that this Resolution be without prejudice to the consideration of a more enlarged Plan for improving the Highway to the Church should such a Plan be devised and approved by the Trustees.

The Letter of the Bishop of London was in the Minutes of the last Meeting having been taken into consideration pursuant to notice.

The following Resolutions were proposed by Mr. Moore and seconded by Mr. Southwell.

Resolved that the Trustees having now elapsed since the Act of Parliament was passed empowering the Trustees with the consent of the Vestry and of the Incumbent, Rector and Ordinary to enlarge the Parish Church and various plans having been proposed for such enlargement and one plan which was selected & recommended by the Trustees in the year 1820 having been afterwards rejected by the Vestry as being expensive & unnecessary; & another Plan for an enlargement upon a smaller scale which has been since approved by the Trustees, being now considered by the Ordinary as requiring too large an expenditure for an addition very inconsiderable to the wants of the Parishioners and there being great differences of opinion upon the subject amongst the Trustees and the other Inhabitants of the Parish

Resolved 1. That the Trustees are of opinion that it is useless to make any further attempt at present

to effect any enlargement of the Church under the powers of this Act of Parliament.

Resolved 2. That it is incumbent upon the Trustees to proceed forthwith to do the necessary repairs of the Church and to appropriate not less than one half of the whole number of Sittings in it for free & open seats pursuant to the directions of the Act.

Resolved 3. That the Architect be directed to prepare a detailed specification & Estimate of the repairs & alterations mentioned in the last Resolution, & that as soon as the Architects Report shall be received a special Meeting of the Trustees be called for proceeding thereon.

Resolved 4. That these Resolutions together with the Bishop of London's Letter dated 15th May 1830 be printed & circulated amongst the Inhabitants accompanied by an earnest recommendation from the Trustees to consider the subject of building a new Chapel so strongly pressed by his Lordship upon their attention.

It was moved in Amendment by Mr. Mallock seconded by the Rev. Mr. Simpson and

Resolved: That the Consideration of the proposed Resolutions be adjourned to the next Meeting and noticed in the summonses; and that such proposed Resolutions be printed & circulated amongst the Trustees.

Resolved That a Plan for appropriating one half of the Sittings in the Church for free Seats be prepared by Mr. Vallinoy and be submitted to the Board at the next Meeting.

Adjourned to Tuesday the
22^d of June Instant to meet
at the Workhouse at half past
Nine o'clock in the forenoon.

S. White

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June
At an adjourned Meeting of the
Trustees of the Church for the purpose
of carrying into Execution the before
mentioned Act holden at the Committee
Room in Hampshead Workhouse on
Tuesday the 22^d day of June 10.30 at
half past Nine o'clock in the forenoon.

Present -

Rev. S. White the Minister in the Chair
Rev. A. H. Simpson Assistant Licensed Curate
Thomas Sheppard
George Innes
Henry White
John Lewis Mallett
William Blow
John Brock Churchwarden

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read
and signed by the Chairman

Mr. Williams presented a Plan of Terrins
Court and of the Wooden House at the West End
thereof with the Slip of open ground running
at the back of such House & thereto belonging
proposed to be purchased in order to improve
the Pathway, but their being no estimate of
the expense of making such improvement it was

Ordered

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That application be made to Mr. Powell
the Curator of such freehold House & Ground in
Terrins Court to ascertain the price of the fee-
simple of such premises

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Mr. Williams also presented two Plans
for appropriating one half of the Sittings in the
present Church for free Seats pursuant to the
directions of the Act.

The first proposed agreeably to the suggestion of Mr. White, provided 123 additional free Seats on benches arising for that purpose 28 Pews consisting partly of Window Pews in the Body and Galleries of the Church at Wroton occupied by Servants & partly of the back Rows of the Window Pews in the North & South Galleries making the total number of free Seats as follows -

Present number of free Seats exclusive of the Seats for the National Schools on the Ground floor (by Mr. White's Collection) 84	
Around the Altar	10
In the Galleries	29
Additional free Seats	100
On the Ground floor	84
In the Galleries	39
Total	123
Present Seats for the National School	200
	323

The second Plan designed by Mr. Sullivan provided 202 additional free Seats on benches with backs similar to those used in the New Church built under the direction of the Church Commissioners by removing 28 Pews at the West end of the body of the Church consisting partly of double & single Pews occupied by furniture and partly of free Pews occupied by the Poor in the North House Servants & others making the total number of free Seats as follows

Present number of free Seats exclusive of the Seats for the National Schools	
On the Ground floor (by Mr. Sullivan's Collection) 59	
Around the Altar	10
In the Galleries	29
Total	98
Additional free Seats the whole of which are on the Ground floor	104
Total	202
Present Seats for the National Schools	200
	402

The Trustees proceeded to take in to consideration serially in the several Resolutions proposed by Mr. Store at the last Meeting & entered in the Minutes thereof. The first & second Resolutions were severally put and carried.

The 3rd Resolution having been put It was moved in amendment by the Rev. Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Sheppard.

That Mr. Sullivan be directed to prepare a further Plan for obtaining the number of free Seats required by the Act either by the erection of free Galleries for the Children of the National School or by the alteration of the present Galleries or by other interior Alterations together with a rough estimate of the expense and that the following Trustees Mr. Sheppard Mr. White and the Rev. Mr. Simpson be requested to confer & advise with Mr. Sullivan thereon which Amendment was put & carried.

The 4th Resolution having been read It was moved by Mr. Store & seconded by the Rev. Mr. White and

Resolved

That the consideration of the 4th Resolution be adjourned.

Adjourned to Saturday the 17th of July next to meet at the Workhouse at half past Nine o'clock in the forenoon

M. H. Simpson

At a General Quarterly Meeting
of the Trustees of the Church for
the purpose of carrying into
execution the before mentioned
Act held on by Adjournment
at the Committee Room in
Kempstead Workhouse on Saturday
the 17th day of July 1836 at 10
o'Clock in the forenoon

Present

Mr. R. H. Simpson (Assistant Secy in the Town)
Thomas Sheppard
George Freer
Henry White
Richard Heathfield
John Leach Churchwarden.

The Rev. A. M. Simpson was elected Chairman
The Minutes of the last Meeting were
read and signed by the Chairman

A Letter from Mr. Deane, Pat. Lion Street
the Owner of the freehold House at the West
End of Perrins Court & of the Slip of open
Ground running at the back of such Ground
offering to sell the Premises to the Trustees for
Nine hundred pounds was presented & read.

Resolved
That in the opinion of this Board it is
expedient to purchase such Premises but
the value set thereon by Mr. Deane being
considered excessive it will be necessary that
the value should be ascertained & settled by the
Verdict of a Jury pursuant to the directions
of the Act unless the same can be effected by
private arrangement.

A Report from Mr. Williams accompanied
with two Plans for obtaining increased accommodation
in free sittings prepared under the direction
of Mr. White, Mr. Sheppard and Mr. Simpson was
presented & read and such Report was ordered
to be entered on the Minutes.

Report of an examination of Stumpstead Church
with a view to the accommodation of a greater
number of Persons altogether - & also to the
accommodation of a greater number of persons
in free sittings - present: The Rev. A. M. Simpson,
Mr. Sheppard, Mr. White, Mr. Soller and the
Architect Mr. Williams

The gallery

It was proposed by Mr. Sheppard to alter the
Paving either partially or wholly of the last
Bay or division near the West End of the Church
and form a light Gallery which it was calculated
would hold two thirds of the Children the space
which the Children now occupy to be appropriated
to free sittings on open Benches which would
accommodate about 62 Adults. - See Plan
A with the cover drawn upon it.

Mr. White proposed building out a projection
at the West end of the Church, the lower part of
which would serve as a Porch & above as a
recess for the Organ - the space now occupied
by the Organ ^{with} then be filled up with sittings
on open Benches & would accommodate 10
Persons additional. - See Plan B.

It was suggested and approved by all the
Parties present that the back Row of Pews &
two window Pews (in the Gallery) must be
removed and two rows of regular free sittings
on Benches with open backs &c. the rear row
raised 9 Inches might be formed along each

side leaving a passage between them & the Pews. This would accommodate 136 Persons in Two sittings instead of 54 persons in Pews & 96 Seats which is the present number accommodated. - See Plan B.

Ground Floor

It was suggested by the Rev. R. H. Simpson that the width of the centre Aisle might be increased by diminishing the size of the Pews on each side making them seat 3 instead of 10 Persons - Open Benches with Pulpit & kneeling Boards to hold 3 persons each would then be placed down the centre of the Aisle leaving a passage on each side to the Pews & at the same time the Pulpit &c might be fixed in the centre. If 2 rows sittings would be added by this alteration & 24 sittings in Pews taken away. - See Plan C.

The result of my own opinion upon the examination of the Church & consideration of the several Plans proposed is, 1st that the introducing an additional Gallery at the West End would be inconvenient & as the place is not sufficient nor is there height enough to do so without crowding the Persons together in a manner highly inconvenient & prejudicial in addition to which, that it would injure the interior of the Church in so great a degree as to be very objectionable on that head. But if done at all the least objectionable mode would be to remove entirely the present ceiling of the east division next the West End & form a flat Ceiling as elevated as the Roof of the Church will admit. It should be observed that this alteration inconvenient & unsightly & expensive as it would be would not accommodate

more than two thirds of the present number of Children - 2^d Building out a Porch below & Recess above for the Organ would be an expensive alteration in proportion to the New sittings to be obtained thereby. - Note. The more extensive the addition (supposing the size of the present Church to be increased by building on to it) the more economical it will be that is a greater number of persons will be accommodated at a proportionably less Cost or in other words at less per Head. Therefore if a greater addition were to be made it would be better worth while though still very costly if less than the addition of an entire Arch as originally proposed.

The alteration of the back row of Pews in the Gallery & making a new Row of Five seats in lieu of them &c. as before described appears to me quite unobjectionable & would be very little expense.

Ground Floor

The alteration of the centre Aisle & placing two seats therein appears to me very judicious & being agreeable to the practice & rules of the Church Commissioners would probably be approved by the Bishop. In addition to this alteration I have to recollect the seats at the West End removing the seats which were placed in such a manner that the persons on them have their backs to the Pulpit & placing them at either the Pulpit on a raised floor & with sloping open backs between the seats.

The result of the alterations here recommended would be to accommodate

On proper Benches for Two sittings	191	
The remainder of the Dist. from the new		
including against the old Churchmen	166	
Children	200	557
In Pews		576
		<u>1133</u>
Being an increase in Two sittings of 159		
And a diminution in Pews of 130		
Being an increase on the whole of		29

I have not considered that it would be necessary to make detailed estimates of any of the alterations until some Plan is fixed upon - but I have pointed out in a general manner which would be most costly - Leave Mr. Williams to do.

Resolved

That in the opinion of this Board it is expedient to adopt so much of the Plans now submitted as relate to the construction of a Gallery for the National School Children at the West end of the Church, also the proposed alterations of the back Seating in the North and South Galleries and the proposed alterations of the free Seating at the extremity of the West end of the Church and that Mr. Williams be requested to prepare a Plan embracing the above mentioned works and alterations with rough Estimates of the Expense.

Resolved

That Mr. Williams be requested to deliver in a rough Estimate of the expense of erecting a Porch at the West end of the Church with an Organ Loft over the same and Staircases, and stating the difference of the expense of conjoining such Staircases to the proposed Gallery for the Children or of extending it to the present West Gallery. Also to deliver in a detailed Estimate of the expense of repairing the Church.

Resolved

That the Rev. D. A. Simpson and Mr. White be requested to confer and advise with Mr. Williams on the proposed alterations.

Organist
Bills for Salaries to the Organist and Pew Officers and for repairs and other incidental expenses amounting together to £ 79. 17. 3 were presented and ordered for payment.

The Account of Pew Rents collected up to the end of the last Quarter and paid over to the Treasurer was examined and allowed.

The Treasurer's Account of receipts and payments from July 1829 to July 1830 was examined whereby it appeared that the balance now in hand amounted to £ 55. 5. 0.

Resolved

That such Account be passed and allowed and that a Copy thereof be submitted to the next Vestry.

(Adjourned to Tuesday the 19 of October next to meet at the Workhouse at 8 o'clock in the forenoon.

S. White.

At a General Quarterly Meeting of the Trustees of the Church for the purpose of carrying into execution the before mentioned Act holden by adjournment at the Committee Room in Trumpstreet Northwiche on Tuesday the nineteenth of October 1830 at half past Nine o'clock in the forenoon.

Present

Robert Willoughby
Henry White
George Mason

Adjourned to Tuesday the sixteenth of January 1831 to meet at the Northwiche at half past Nine o'clock in the forenoon.

J. White

At a General Quarterly Meeting of the Trustees of the Church for the purpose of carrying into execution the before mentioned Act holden by adjournment at the Committee Room in Trumpstreet Northwiche on Tuesday the sixteenth of January 1831 at half past Nine o'clock in the forenoon.

Present

Rev. G. White the Minister in the Chair
Henry White
Thomas Stifford
William Rice
The Levite Churchwarden.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and agreed to by the Chairman

(Letters received since the last Meeting from the owner of the freehold house and site of ground at the West end of Downe Court were presented and read.

Resolved

That Mr. White be requested to obtain for the Trustees an Estimate of the value of such freehold house and site of ground

(Letters were presented and read from Mr. George Harrison Builder soliciting remuneration for the expense incurred by him in suspending the building of several new houses at the end of the Church at the request of the Trust which the opening of a new Road to the Church from the North West to the Church was in contemplation

Resolved

That the sum of Ten Pounds be paid to Mr. Harrison for the expense incurred by suspending the building of the new houses at the request of the Trust

Mr. White presented a plan proposed under the direction of himself & Mr. Simpson by Mr. Vallentyne

for constructing an additional Gallery for the National School Children and for making some additional free sittings at the West End and in the North and South Galleries of the Church and Mr. White reports that Mr. Vallenty had suggested to him the expediency of delaying the preparation of the Estimates required until the Trustees Mr. Paton and Mr. Cunningham had agreed upon the Plan to be submitted to the Vestry

Resolved

That the Plan now presented be submitted to the Rev. Mr. White for his consideration and that he be requested to report here about or direct the Committee for relating to Officers for Free Insurance Premiums and for repairs and other incidental expenses mentioned in the article 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 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Agreed to Tuesday the Twelfth of April next to meet at the Workhouse at half past Nine o'clock in the forenoon

S. White

The General Quarterly Meeting of the Trustees of the Church for the purpose of carrying into execution the before mentioned Act holden by adjournment at the Committee Room in Glasgow West Workhouse on Tuesday the 12th of April 1831 at half past Nine o'clock in the forenoon

Present

- Rev. D. White the Minister in the Chair
- Rev. B. P. Simpson, Assistant Minister
- Richard Boothfield
- Chas. Branganet
- William Rice
- Thomas Sheppard
- William Wainford
- Henry White
- J. C. Cameron
- George Pearson
- John Leitch
- Wm. Hamilton } Churchwardens.

Resolved

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed by the Chairman
 The Rev. Chairman produced the Plan submitted to him at the last Meeting and reported that he wished to defer expressing his opinion of it until he had conferred with the Patron of the Living
 The Plan having been reconsidered -
 It was moved by Mr. Branganet, duly seconded and
 That in lieu of the additional Gallery for the Children proposed by the Plan the following Pews at the West End of the Body of the Church numbered 11, 12, 76, 77, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101 and 102 be converted into free sittings and that Mr. Vallenty be requested to alter the Plan conformable to this Resolution and

to state the number of free sittings which the Church will contain after the proposed alterations are made.

Adjourned to Tuesday the 12th of July next to meet at the Workhouse at half past Nine o'clock in the forenoon.

Wm. Thripp

At a special Meeting of the Trustees of the Church convened by Order of five of the Trustees for the purpose of carrying into execution the before mentioned Act-holders at the Committee Room in Great South Workhouse on Thursday the 21st day of April 1831 at Eight o'clock in the Evening.

Present -

Thomas Thripp Esquire in the Chair
Henry White
J. S. Mallett
Richard Northfield
John Birch Churchwarden

Thomas Thripp Esquire was elected Chairman
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed by the Chairman

The Resolutions passed at a Meeting of the Trustees held on the 17th of July last declaratory of the necessity to purchase for the purposes of the Act the freehold House and Site of open ground adjoining at the back thereof in Parish Court belonging to Mr. Birch having been read it was

Resolved

That the Minister and Churchwarden be authorized to execute a Deed on Friday the 13th of May next to empower the Trustees with the consent of the Deed to purchase the whole or some part of such freehold property in Parish Court for the purpose of making a more convenient approach to the Church and to empower the Trustees with such Consent as aforesaid to raise or borrow upon the Credit of the Poor Rates of the Parish and other monies receivable by the Trustees under the authority of the Act by way of Mortgage or otherwise such sum or sums of money not exceeding £1200. in the whole as

shall be judged necessary for the purpose of giving
compensation to the several persons interested in
the Lands and Hereditaments required to be taken
for the purchase of their respective Chales and
Interests therein and for the expenses to be incurred
in erecting the necessary improvements thereto and
for other necessary Expenses

Ordered

That leave be given to Mr. Parish of the vicarage
and the Vestry to be taken

Received

That the same be taken to be taken to the Vestry
in acting the 17th Vestry Meeting to be read out
at the next Meeting

Adjourned to Wednesday the 11th of
May next to meet at the Church House
at Eight o'clock in the Evening
Thee Theophrast

An adjourned Meeting of the Trustees
of the Church for the purpose of carrying into
execution the before mentioned Act - holden
at the Committee Room in Rumpstead
Workhouse on Wednesday the 11th day of
May 1831 at Eight o'clock in the Evening.

Present

Thomas Sheppard Esquire in the Chair
J. C. Cameron
A. Northfield
C. Toppard
S. Smith
Geo. Patten

Thomas Sheppard Esquire was elected Chairman
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and
signed by the Chairman

Resolved

That the Vestry convened for the 13th Instant be
requested to empower the Trustees to purchase any
Lands Tenements and Hereditaments in or near
Perkins Court which may be necessary for the
purpose of making a more convenient approach
to the Church and to empower the Trustees to borrow
or raise at Interest upon the Credit of the Poor Rates
and of the Poor Rates and other monies receivable by
the Trustees under the authority of the said Act by
way of Mortgage or otherwise a Sum or Sums of
Money not exceeding £1000 in the whole in order
to purchase any such property and to give compensation
to the several persons interested therein for their
respective Chales and Interests and for defraying
the expenses to be incurred in making improvements
and for other necessary Expenses.

The Plan for erecting an additional Gallery

for the Children with the alterations in the Bars
at the West End of the body of the Church and in the
North and South Aisles prepared by Mr
Callixen of Order of the Trustees were received
A Letter from Thomas Durran Esquire tendering
his resignation of the Office of Treasurer in consequence
of his being about to quit the Parish was presented
and read.

Attest
S. White

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12 July

At a General Quarterly Meeting of the
Trustees of the Church for the purpose of
carrying into execution the before mentioned
Account holden by Order of the Trustees at the
Common Room in Hampstead North House
on Tuesday the 12th of July 1831 at half past
Nine o'clock in the forenoon.

Present

- Rev. F. White the Minister in the Chair
- The Rev. C. C. Bartholomew Blackwell, Licensed Curate
- Thomas Sheppard
- C. Hafford
- F. B. Hafford
- F. N. Longman
- Samuel May
- George Parsons
- John Nixon Charwarden

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and
signed by the Chairman.

The Clerk reported that the proposed Improvement
to the approach of the Church had been submitted to
and approved of by the Parishes at a Vestry holden
on the 13th of July last when the following Resolution
was passed:

Resolved That the Trustees of and do pass in the 0th
Year of the Reign of his late Majesty for providing the
Inhabitants of this Parish with convenient accommodation
for attending Divine Service be empowered to purchase
any Lands Tenements and Hereditaments in or near
the Parishes Court in this Parish which may be necessary
for the purpose of making a more convenient approach
to the Church and that the said Trustees be empowered
to borrow or raise an Interest upon the Credit of the

For Rates and of the Pew Rents and other moneys
necessariable by the Trustees under the Authority of the said
Act by way of Mortgage or otherwise a Sum or Sums of
Money not exceeding in the whole £1000 in order
to purchase any such property and to give Compensation
to the several persons interested therein for their respective
Estates and Interests and for defraying the expenses to
be incurred in such things improvements and for
other necessary expenses.

The Clerk also reported that Sir Thomas Murray
Wison Bart. the Patron and the Rev. Dr. White the
Incumbent had in practice signified their Consent
in Writing to the purchase of any Property necessary
for such purposes and improvements and that the Lord
Bishop of London in answer to an application made
to him for his Consent had sent the following to the
Trustees 21 June 1831. Sir - Before I give my consent
to the raising of £1000 by the Trustees of St. Andrew's
Church for the improvement of the Church & the
Pew to be improved, what steps the Trustees have
taken or intend to take for the improvement of the
Church itself, and what the great importance which
is to be strongly felt by them when I inspected the
Church last year. I am afraid that the expenditure
of so large a Sum as £1000 upon an object of so
inferior importance, will have the effect of
rather departing from enlargement of the Church,
which was the principal end for which the Act
& Parliament was obtained. I am in Opposed to
the said Act. C. S. London - Thos. Stiles Esq.

The Plan proposed by Mr. Rowanquest at a
Meeting holden on the 12th of April last for converting
into free Seats several of the Pews at the West End of
the Body of the Church having been objected to & withdrawn
It was moved by Mr. Sheppard and seconded by

Resolved Mr. Heathfield and

- Resolved That in the opinion of this Meeting it is expedient
to make the following arrangements for the purpose
of carrying into effect the provisions of the 4th Sect.
of the Act for the appropriation of free Seats viz.
- 1 To appropriate the West Gallery to free Seats for the
Parishioners generally.
 - 2 To throw open the back Seats in the North and South
Galleries.
 - 3 To erect additional Galleries of Iron or Wood over
the West Gallery or part thereof

By which means free Seats will be secured equal
to one half of the whole number of Seats in the Church
or thereabouts as required by the Act

And that such arrangements will be recommended
for adoption by the several parties whose consent is
necessary for the execution thereof

Resolved

That Thomas Sheppard Charles Edgford and
Richard Heathfield Esquires and Mr. Hamblin
Churchwarden be appointed a Committee to carry
into effect the foregoing Resolution and to confer
with the Bishop of London thereon and with the
Patron and Incumbent and with power to obtain if
necessary a Specification and Estimate of the Expense
of the proposed Alterations of the Church and of the
General repairs and that such Committee be required
to confer with the Bishop of London upon the subject
of his Lordship's order on the Minutes of
this Meeting and to apply for his Lordship's Consent
to the execution of the proposed Improvements.

Both for Salaries to Officers for repairs and
other incidental expenses amounting in the whole
to £146-11-10 were presented and ordered for
payment.

The Clerk

J. White

Resolved

The Treasurer's Account of Receipts & Payments from July 1830 to July 1831 has been reviewed whereby it appeared that the balance in hand amounted to £32-15-5.

That such Account be signed and allowed and that a Copy thereof be submitted to the next Vestry

Adjourned to Tuesday the 11th of October next to meet at the North House at half past nine o'clock in the forenoon.
Wm. Sheppard

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July 27

At a Special Meeting of the Trustees of the Church convened by direction of the Churchwardens for the purpose of carrying into execution the before mentioned Act & holden at the Committee Room in North House on Wednesday the 27th of July 1831 at half past nine o'clock in the forenoon.

Present

Thomas Sheppard Esquire in the Chair
Rev. W. White Minister
Rev. C. C. Bartholomew Spiritual Licentiate Curate
Charles Hojford
J. C. Cameron
Alexander Hamilton Churchwarden

Thomas Sheppard Esquire was elected Chairman. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed by the Chairman.

The Curate then reported at the last Meeting reported that pursuant to the request of the Board they had had an interview with the Lord Bishop of London and had submitted to his Lordship the Plan for providing the requisite number of free Seats by the erection of additional Galleries for the Children and by other interior alterations approved of at the last Meeting and that the Bishop had refused his consent to the Plan upon the ground of its not providing that increased accommodation which the population of the Parish required. That his Lordship then expressed to see some Plan of enlargement proposed more agreeable to the spirit of the Act of Parliament and upon the Committee representing to his Lordship that the Vestry might possibly consent to an enlargement at the West End to the extent of 20 feet giving 263 additional Seats (viz. 239 free and 24 pious Seats) at an

reference of about £2000 including two additional
Staircases in the West Gallery but exclusive of repairs
according to a Plan agreed to be adopted by the Trustees
in July 1729 but objected to by his Lordship in 1730
the Bishop stated that he was not conscious of having
given a particular refusal to that Plan and requested
that it might be again brought forward by the Trustees
with the understanding that his Lordship would give to
it his consent and approbation.

The Council then also resolved that they had
conferred with the Bishop of London upon the subject
of the improvements proposed to be made to the
Church and that his Lordship gave
his consent and approbation to such improvements
being elected and to the purchase of any property which
might be required for those purposes.)

Resolved unanimously

That the Plan of enlargement agreed to by the
Trustees at a Meeting holden on the 27th July 1729
and was approved of by the Lord Bishop of London
is only that by the Trustees subject to any further
alterations therein which may be found expedient.

The Rev. Dr. White the Incumbent being present
expressed his consent to and approbation of such Plan
of Enlargement.

That Thomas Stophard, Charles Stoford and Henry
White Cursons and the Rev. Dr. White be appointed a
Committee to advise with the Trustees upon any further
alterations of any which may appear advisable to be
made to such Plan and with power to procure Architects
and Estimators relating to such Plan and to the general
repairs of the Church and that such Committee or some
of them be deputed to visit upon St. Thomas St.
St. Leon Street the Station for the purpose of obtaining his

Consent and approbation of such Plan of Enlargement
Also that it be referred to such Committee to ascertain the
fair Compensation to be made to the Owner & Occupiers of
the freehold House and Ground in Barrow Court adjoining
to St. Dunstons with full power to offer such Compensation
to the several persons interested therein and to treat for
the purchase of such property.

A Letter was read from Mr. Philip More stating that he
had an objection to selling a certain piece of Land both
Premises in Barrow Court adjoining to St. Dunstons ground
and that he submitted the same to the consideration of
the Trust, previous to his entering into any other arrangement.

Ordered

That a Letter be addressed to Mr. More stating that the
Trust were not desirous at present to treat for the purchase
or hire of his Landhold Premises in Barrow Court.

In Journal
The Treasurer

At a General Quarterly Meeting of
the Trustees of the Church for the
purpose of carrying into execution
the before mentioned Act holden by
at the ~~for the purpose~~
adjournment on Tuesday the 11th
of October 1831 at half past Nine
O'clock in the forenoon.

Present—

Thomas Sheppard Senior in the Chair,
Rev. P. White,
Rev. C. C. Bartholomew,
Henry White Esquire,
Mr. Alex^r Hamilton Churchwarden

Thomas Sheppard Esq. was elected Chairman
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read
and signed by the Chairman.

The Committee reported that six Thomas
Wilson Bart^r the Patron of the Church had
consented to the Plan of Enlargement at
the West End agreed to be submitted by the
Trustees at the last Meeting.

The Committee also reported that the
value of the kneehole seats at the top of
Bernie Court and of the piece of ground lying
at the back is at do not in their opinion
exceed £200 and that they had offered to
purchase it for the Trust at that sum but
that the Owner thereof had declined accepting it.

That the sum to be paid for the purchase
of the piece of ground of the said House and Ground
be ascertained by a Jury paid out to the
jurors of the Act and to the Owner thereof be

willing to accept of such sum as a Compensation
for the interest therein.

A Letter from Mr. Walling respecting the
Plan of Enlargement at the West End was presented
and read. — 153 The West End. Oct. 8. 1831.
Dear Sir, I have agreeably to the instructions of
your Vote of the 24th of August again looked over the
Church at Hampstead, and the plans of the last
proposed alterations, and the only further alterations
which occur to me to suggest, are the removing the
inner row of Seats in the Gallery, and forming two
Rows of Free Seats instead of one. (According to
one of the former plans which I once made by the
desire of the Trustees, and the removing the
Pulpit into the Centre of the Church, or the separating
the Pulpit and reading Desk and placing them
(of equal height) one on each side the centre aisle.)

With regard to the sum necessary for the execution
of the alterations at the West End, and the repairs
and alterations contemplated in the Church, I
cannot say in a rough estimate they would come
to £3000 perhaps to £3500. As the making
a detailed estimate would be an additional
expense it will perhaps be unnecessary to go
further into the subject in the present stage of
the business; but when it is finally determined
what shall be done and when the work is to be
commenced, I wish then if the Trustees should
wish it, prepare the necessary calculations.
I remain Dear Sir very faithfully yours —
L. Walling — Esq. Solicitor Esquire.

Resolved

That application be made to Mr. Walling
for further information respecting the vaults
proposed to be included in the Enlargement and to

T. Wilson

Resolved

enquire if the Sum stated as the probable expense
of executing the Plan exceeds all Revenues

Adjourned to Tuesday the 17th of
January 1832 to meet at the
Workhouse at half past Nine
o'clock in the forenoon.

J. White

At a General Quarterly Meeting
of the Trustees of the Church for the
purpose of carrying into Execution
the before mentioned Act holden
by adjournment at the Workhouse
on Tuesday the 17th of January 1832
at half past Nine o'clock in the forenoon

Present

Rev. Dr. White. Minister,
Henry White Esquire

Adjourned to Tuesday the 10th
of April next to meet at the
Workhouse at half past Nine o'clock
in the forenoon precisely.

J. White

At a special Meeting of the Trustees of the Church convened by direction of the Rev. Dr. White the Minister for the purpose of carrying into execution the before mentioned Act holden at the Committee Room in Hampstead Workhouse on Friday the 7th of March 1832 at half past three o'clock in the evening

Present

Rev. Dr. White the Minister in the Chair
 Rev. C. C. Bartholomew (Richard Howard) warden
 Charles Beaumont Esquire
 Charles Colvill Esquire
 Thomas Theobald Esquire
 James Lowe Esquire
 Richard Northwick Esquire
 E. S. Mills Esquire
 Mr. John Dixon
 Mr. John Hamilton } Secretaries

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed by the Chairman

The Clerk reported that pursuant to the Order of the last Meeting he had applied to Mr. Sully for further information respecting the Plan of enlargement at the West End and that Mr. Sully had informed him that the expense of making the proposed Enlargement at the West End according to the Plan submitted would amount to £3000 including and repairing the roof and interior of the Church generally was estimated at £3000 but which did not include the repairs of the Church Yard fences and that he had allowed £500 more as the utmost estimate of moving such of the Graves as would interfere with the proposed enlargement,

but that such expense could not be ascertained accurately until the foundations of the new walls were made or an examination ~~was~~ by opening the ground.

Resolved unanimously

That Mr. Sully be requested to deliver on or before Friday next the 16th Instant a Specification and Estimate of the expense of enlarging the Church 20 feet at the West End according to the Plan submitted by the Trustees to and approved by the Lord Bishop of London the Rector and Incumbent and of the necessary and indispensable repairs of the Church and that the Trustees be summoned to attend a Meeting on Friday next or on such other early day as may suit the convenience of Mr. Sully to be present and that the Summoners to the Trustees do state that the object of the Meeting is to consider of and determine definitively on the Measures to be submitted to Monday.

Resolved unanimously

That Mr. Sully be also requested to examine the fences of the old Church Yard and to deliver an Estimate of the expense of continuing the Fence along the North side of the Yard to Mr. Col's Wall.

Resolved unanimously

That the Minutes of the Meeting be given to the Rev. Chairman.

Adjourned. J. White