

4 Accounts for 1925

Treasurers report and statement of accounts were laid before the Committee.

Agreed that the Executive Committee be asked to study closely the loss on entertainments & to take steps to ensure that economy is effected or conversely gross receipts increased.

Large Room

Agreed that a whole time manager is essential & that the Executive Committee be asked to negotiate with a suitable firm—say Smiths, Music sellers— to take on the management on commission.

General Meeting

Monday February 15th at 5-45 pm.

Lancel B. Budden

Chairman.

18th January 1927.

SANDON STUDIOS SOCIETY

Minutes of a meeting of the General Council
held on Tuesday 18th January 1927 at 5-45pm.

Present

Prof L.B.Budden (in the Chair)
Messrs Bower, Irvine, Heywood Melly, Parry,
Snowden & Whitmore.
Mrs Hugh Jones, Mrs MacLeay, Mrs Mace,
Miss L.Allen & Miss Page.

Apologies for absence

Mr W.H.Rawdon Smith (Hon Treas)

Minutes

Minutes of the last meeting of the General
Council held on January 14th 1926 were read and
confirmed.

Nominations for General Council.

The following eight retiring members were
renominated for election, on the proposal of
Mrs Hugh Jones, seconded by Mr Parry.:-

Mr C.H.Bishop	Mrs MacLeay
Mr E.L.Garrett	Mr G.H.Parry
Mrs F.Hornby	Mrs G.Rathbone
Mr W.Irvine	Mrs H.Rathbone

On the proposal of Mr Bower seconded by Col Melly
Mr F.C.Bowring (Lord Mayor) and Mr R.H.Thornton

were nominated for election to the two remaining vacancies.

Associate Members on the Executive Committee: The following names were recommended: - Mrs. Mackery, Miss Mace, Mr. R. C. C. Brown, Mr. R. Hills Roberts

Officers of the Executive Committee

On the proposal of the Chairman Viscount Leverhulme was unanimously re-nominated for election as President of the Society for the ensuing year, and Mrs Calder as Vice President.

The following were re-nominated for election as Hon-Officers :-

Chairman Professor L.B. Budden

Hon Secretary Mr A. Whitmore

Hon Treasurer Mr W.H. Rawdon Smith

Accounts for 1926

The Hon Treasurers Report and statement of accounts for 1926 were presented.

On the proposal of Mr Bower seconded by Mrs Hugh Jones it was unanimously agreed that the urgent attention of the Executive Committee should be drawn to the amount of outstanding rents (£124-2-0) and that they be requested to take what steps may be necessary.

On the proposal of Mr Parry seconded by Mr Snowden , a recommendation was passed to the Executive Committee that an annual review of the years work of the Society should be printed and circulated to members.

Annual General Meeting.

The date arranged was Friday 4th March

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Lancel B. Budden
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SANDON STUDIOS SOCIETY

Minutes of a meeting of the General Council
held on Tuesday 10th January 1928 at 5-45pm.

Present

Professor L.B.Budden (in the Chair)
Messrs Bower, Irvine, Parry, Penn, Shepheard,
Tyson Smith, Rawdon Smith, & Whitmore
Mrs MacLeay & Miss L. Allen.

Apologies for Absence.

Colonel S.H.Melly.

Minutes

Minutes of the last meeting of the General Council
held on 18th January 1927, were read & confirmed.

Nominations for General Council

On the proposal of Mr Parry, seconded by Mr Shepheard
the following seven retiring members were re-nominated
for election:-

Miss Allen	Mrs Hugh Jones
Mr E.L.Bower	Mr E.Snowden
Professor L.B.Budden	
Mr W.H.Rawdon Smith	
Mr T.F.Shepheard	

Miss Lind was nominated for election in place
of Mrs Mace, Mr Harold Davies in place of
Mr J.G.Legge. and Mr A.Whitmore for the remaining
vacancy.

Associate Members on the Executive Committee

The following were recommended :-

Mrs MacLeay	Mr R Clibborn
Miss Mace	Mr A.Whitmore.

Officers of the Executive Committee

On the proposal of the Chairman seconded by Mr Bower ,Viscount Leverhulme was unanimously re-nominated for election as President of the Society for the ensuing year and Mrs Calder as Vice-President.

Professor L.B.Budden was re-nominated for election as Chairman and Mr W.H.Rawdon Smith as Hon Treasurer.

Mr Harold H.Davies was nominated for election as Hon Secretary in place of Mr A.Whitmore.

Treasurers Statement

The Hon Treasurer presented a Statement of the accounts for 1927-.

On the proposal of Mr Parry seconded by Mr Walter Irvine ,it was unanimously agreed that the urgent attention of the Executive Committee should again be drawn to the amount of outstanding rents (£68) and that they be requested to take what steps may be necessary.

Annual General Meeting

The Date arranged was Friday 10th February, at 6-30pm.

It was agreed that the Annual Meeting should be followed by a Dinner and Dance similar to that held on the previous occasion.

Lancel B. Budden
5th February 1929.

MINUTES of the Meeting of the GENERAL COUNCIL held
in Bluecoat Chambers, Tuesday 5th February, 1929 at
5.45.p.m.

Present. Professor Budden, in the Chair.

Mrs Hornby, Miss Lind, Miss Allen,
Col. Heywood Melly, Messrs. Bishop,
Parry, Mills Roberts, Carr, Rawdon-
Smith and Hinchcliffe Davies.

Nominations for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the fol-
lowing Members of the General Council
retired this year:-

Professor Abercrombie,
Mr. Henry Carr,
Mr. George Harris,
Viscount Leverhulme,
Col. Heywood Melly,
Professor C.H. Reilly,
Mr. Mills Roberts,
Mrs. Van Gruisen.

It was agreed that all the above members
be renominated with the exception of
Mrs Van Gruisen who is no longer per-
manently in Liverpool.

It was agreed that Mr. Will C. Penn be nom-
inated to replace Mrs Van Gruisen,
and Mrs. Charter to fill the vacancy
caused by the death of Miss Page.

Nominations for Associate Members'
Representatives on the Executive Committee.

The Hon. Secretary read the names of the
present representatives, viz:-

Mrs McLeay,
Miss Mace,
Mr. R. Clibborn,
Mr. A. Whitmore.

It was proposed that, with the exception of Miss Mace who will be leaving Liverpool, the present representatives be renominated.

The following names were then proposed for the vacancy:-

Mrs. George Rathbone,
Mrs Hornby,
Mr. Mills Roberts.

The original proposal was withdrawn and the six names were voted upon, and the following nominated:-

Mrs. George Rathbone,
Mrs. Hornby,
Mr. Mills Roberts,
Mr. R. Clibborn.

Nominations for Officers.

The following were nominated:-

President - Viscount Leverhulme
Vice-President. - Mrs James Calder
Chairman of General Council. - Professor Budden
Chairman of Executive Cttee. - Professor Budden
Hon. Secretary. - Mr. Hinchcliffe Davies.
Hon. Treasurer. - Mr. W. H. Rawdon Smith.

Treasurer's Statement.

The Treasurer read his statement of profit and loss for the year, which was agreed.

Arising out of the Treasurer's Statement it was agreed that the recommendation be passed to the Executive Committee to consider a charge of 2/6d each for the season for members attending the Sunday Concerts.

Audit

On the motion of the Hon. Treasurer, seconded by the Hon. Secretary, it was agreed that the accounts be audited by a Chartered Accountant at a fee not exceeding £5. 5. 0.

MINUTES of the Meeting of the GENERAL COUNCIL held
in Bluecoat Chambers, Tuesday 5th February, 1929 at
5.45.p.m.

Present. Professor Budden, in the Chair.

Mrs Hornby, Miss Lind, Miss Allen,
Col. Heywood Melly, Messrs. Bishop,
Parry, Mills Roberts, Carr, Rawdon-
Smith and Hinchcliffe Davies.

Nominations for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the fol-
lowing Members of the General Council
retired this year:-

Professor Abercrombie,
Mr. Henry Carr,
Mr. George Harris,
Viscount Leverhulme,
Col. Heywood Melly,
Professor C.H. Reilly,
Mr. Mills Roberts,
Mrs. Van Gruisen.

It was agreed that all the above members
be renominated with the exception of
Mrs Van Gruisen who is no longer per-
manently in Liverpool.

It was agreed that Mr. Will C. Penn be nom-
inated to replace Mrs Van Gruisen,
and Mrs. Charter to fill the vacancy
caused by the death of Miss Page.

Nominations for Associate Members'
Representatives on the Executive Committee.

The Hon. Secretary read the names of the
present representatives, viz:-

Mrs McLeay,
Miss Mace,
Mr. R. Clibborn,
Mr. A. Whitmore.

Annual General Meeting.

The date proposed by the Executive Committee, 15th March, was confirmed and the time fixed for 5.30.p.m.

Lucretia B. Budden

11th February 1930.

MINUTES of a MEETING of the GENERAL COUNCIL held in
the Society's Rooms, February 11th, 1930. at 5.45.p.m.

Present:-

Professor L.B.Budden in the Chair

Mrs.Hornby, Mrs.McLeay, Miss Lind,
Miss Allen, Colonel Heywood Melly,
Messrs.Mills Roberts, Snowden,
Shepherd, Rawdon-Smith and Hinchcliffe
Davies.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and confirmed.

Retiring Members.

The Hon.Secretary announced that the fol-
lowing ~~was~~ members would retire this
year:-

Sir F.C.Bowring
Mr.E.L.Garrett
Mrs.F.Hornby
Mr.W.L.Irvine
Mrs.MacLeay
Mr.G.H.Parry
Mrs.Geo.Rathbone
Mrs.H.Rathbone
Mr.R.H.Thornton

It was agreed that all the above members
be renominated.

The Hon.Secretary announced that Mr.Bishop
also a member of the General Council
had resigned from the Society.

Agreed that Miss Sutton Timmis be nominated
to replace Mr.Bishop.

Associated Members on Executive Committee.

The following names were put forward:-

Mrs.Hornby
Mrs.George Rathbone
Miss Trenery
Mr.Mills Roberts
Mr.Clibborn
Mr.Rawdon-Smith

A vote being taken, the following secured the greatest number of votes and were accordingly nominated for consideration at the General Meeting:-

Mrs. Hornby
Mr. Mills Roberts
Mr. Clibborn
Mr. Rawdon-Smith

Nominations for Officers.

The following were nominated :-

President Viscount Leverhulme
Vice-President Mrs. James Calder
Chairman of Executive &
Chairman of General Council - Profes-
sor Abercrombie.
Hon. Secretary - H. Hinchcliffe Davies
Hon. Treasurer - Mr. Paul Rathbone

Treasurer's Statement

The Treasurer's Statement showing a balance of £118.16.5. receipts over expenses, was read and approved.

Audit.

It was agreed that the Hon. Treasurer be authorised to incur a charge of £7.7.0 for having the accounts audited.

Annual Meeting.

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for March 11th.

Patric Abercrombie
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It was proposed that, with the exception of Miss Mace who will be leaving Liverpool, the present representatives be renominated.

The following names were then proposed for the vacancy:-

Mrs. George Rathbone,
Mrs Hornby,
Mr. Mills Roberts.

The original proposal was withdrawn and the six names were voted upon, and the following nominated:-

Mrs. George Rathbone,
Mrs. Hornby,
Mr. Mills Roberts,
Mr. R. Clibborn.

Nominations for Officers.

The following were nominated:-

President - Viscount Leverhulme
Vice-President. - Mrs James Calder
Chairman of General Council. - Professor Budden
Chairman of Executive Cttee. - Professor Budden
Hon. Secretary. - Mr. Hinchcliffe Davies.
Hon. Treasurer. - Mr. W. H. Rawdon Smith.

Treasurer's Statement.

The Treasurer read his statement of profit and loss for the year, which was agreed.

Arising out of the Treasurer's Statement it was agreed that the recommendation be passed to the Executive Committee to consider a charge of 2/6d each for the season for members attending the Sunday Concerts.

Audit

On the motion of the Hon. Treasurer, seconded by the Hon. Secretary, it was agreed that the accounts be audited by a Chartered Accountant at a fee not exceeding £5. 5. 0.

A vote being taken, the following secured the greatest number of votes and were accordingly nominated for consideration at the General Meeting:-

Mrs. Hornby
Mr. Mills Roberts
Mr. Clibborn
Mr. Rawdon-Smith

Nominations for Officers.

The following were nominated :-

President Viscount Leverhulme
Vice-President Mrs. James Calder
Chairman of Executive &
Chairman of General Council - Profes-
sor Abercrombie.
Hon. Secretary - H. Hinchcliffe Davies
Hon. Treasurer - Mr. Paul Rathbone

Treasurer's Statement

The Treasurer's Statement showing a balance of £118.16.5. receipts over expenses, was read and approved.

Audit.

It was agreed that the Hon. Treasurer be authorised to incur a charge of £7.7.0 for having the accounts audited.

Annual Meeting.

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for March 11th.

Patric Abercrombie
13 *Feb 1951*

Annual General Meeting.

The date proposed by the Executive Committee, 15th March, was confirmed and the time fixed for 5.30.p.m.

Samuel B. Boden

11th February 1930.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL held
in the Society's rooms on Friday, February 13th,
1931 at 5.45.p.m.

Present :- Professor Abercrombie in the Chair

Mrs. Hornby, Mrs McLeay, Miss Allen,
Miss Sutton Timmis, Messrs. Lionel B. Budden,
F.L. Sheppard, E.L. Bower, Henry Carr,
Rawdon-Smith, Heywood Melly, Paul Rathbone
and Hinchcliffe Davies.

Apologies for absence were received from
the following :-

Sir Fredk. Bowring,
Mrs. Hugh Jones,
Mrs. Herbert Rathbone.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed.

Retiring Members.

The Hon. Secretary announced that the follow-
ing members of the General Council
retired this year and were eligible for
re-election :-

Miss L. Allen
E.L. Bower
Prof. L. B. Budden
Mrs. Hugh Jones
E. Snowden
W.H. Rawdon Smith
T. F. Sheppard
A. Whitmore
Miss Lind
Hinchcliffe Davies

MINUTES of a MEETING of the GENERAL COUNCIL held in
the Society's Rooms, February 11th, 1930. at 5.45.p.m.

Present:-

Professor L.B.Budden in the Chair

Mrs.Hornby, Mrs.McLeay, Miss Lind,
Miss Allen, Colonel Heywood Melly,
Messrs.Mills Roberts, Snowden,
Shepherd, Rawdon-Smith and Hinchcliffe
Davies.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and confirmed.

Retiring Members.

The Hon.Secretary announced that the fol-
lowing ~~two~~ members would retire this
year:-

Sir F.C.Bowring
Mr.E.L.Garrett
Mrs.F.Hornby
Mr.W.L.Irvine
Mrs.MacLeay
Mr.G.H.Parry
Mrs.Geo.Rathbone
Mrs.H.Rathbone
Mr.R.H.Thornton

It was agreed that all the above members
be renominated.

The Hon.Secretary announced that Mr.Bishop
also a member of the General Council
had resigned from the Society.

Agreed that Miss Sutton Timmis be nominated
to replace Mr.Bishop.

Associated Members on Executive Committee.

The following names were put forward:-

Mrs.Hornby
Mrs.George Rathbone
Miss Trener
Mr.Mills Roberts
Mr.Clibborn
Mr.Rawdon-Smith

The following were nominated for election
for the ensuing three years :-

Miss L.Allen,
E.L.Bower
Prof.L.B.Budden
Mrs.Hugh Jones
A.Whitmore
W.H.Rawdon Smith
T.F.Shepherd
Miss Lind
Hinchcliffe Davies
E.F.C.Hardman

Representatives of Associate Members on
Executive Committee.

The following members were proposed for
nomination :-

E.F.C.Hardman
R.Clibborn
Mrs.Whitmore
R.Mills Roberts
W.H.Rawdon Smith

The names being voted upon, the following
members secured the greatest number
of votes and accordingly were nominated
for election:-

E.F.C.Hardman
W.H.Rawdon Smith
R.Mills Roberts
R.Clibborn

Nomination of Officers

The following were nominated for election
as officers :-

President - Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President- Mrs.Jas Hamel Calder
Chairman - Professor Abercrombie
Hon.Treasurer. Mr.Paul Rathbone
Hon.Secretary. Mr.Hinchcliffe Davies

Hon. Treasurer's Statement.

The Hon. Treasurer submitted his preliminary Statement of Receipts and Expenses for the year 1930 showing a credit balance of £47.7.9. as against £118.16.6. last year. He explained that during this year the sum of £120. had been expended on stage lighting; this was an exceptional expenditure and would not recur.

Membership.

The Hon Secretary reported that the total membership this year was 319 as against 305 last year, the number being made up as follows:-

Associate Members	175
Artist Members	115
Country Members	22
Junior Members	7

Audit.

It was agreed that the Hon Treasurer be authorised to incur the sum of £7.7.0 for audit fees.

Annual Meeting.

The date of the Annual Meeting was fixed for the 13th March 1931 at 6.0 p.m.

Patrick Ahern

12 Feb. 1932

A vote being taken, the following secured the greatest number of votes and were accordingly nominated for consideration at the General Meeting:-

Mrs. Hornby
Mr. Mills Roberts
Mr. Clibborn
Mr. Rawdon-Smith

Nominations for Officers.

The following were nominated :-

President Viscount Leverhulme
Vice-President Mrs. James Calder
Chairman of Executive &
Chairman of General Council - Profes-
 sor Abercrombie.
Hon. Secretary - H. Hinchcliffe Davies
Hon. Treasurer - Mr. Paul Rathbone

Treasurer's Statement

The Treasurer's Statement showing a balance of £118.16.5. receipts over expenses, was read and approved.

Audit.

It was agreed that the Hon. Treasurer be authorised to incur a charge of £7.7.0 for having the accounts audited.

Annual Meeting.

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for March 11th.

Patricia Abercrombie
13 Feb 1951

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL held
in the Society's rooms on Friday, February 13th,
1931 at 5.45.p.m.

Present :- Professor Abercrombie in the Chair

Mrs. Hornby, Mrs McLeay, Miss Allen,
Miss Sutton Timmis, Messrs. Lionel B. Budden,
F.L. Sheppard, E.L. Bower, Henry Carr,
Rawdon-Smith, Heywood Melly, Paul Rathbone
and Hinchcliffe Davies.

Apologies for absence were received from
the following :-

Sir Fredk. Bowring,
Mrs. Hugh Jones,
Mrs. Herbert Rathbone.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed.

Retiring Members.

The Hon. Secretary announced that the follow-
ing members of the General Council
retired this year and were eligible for
re-election :-

Miss L. Allen
E.L. Bower
Prof. L. B. Budden
Mrs. Hugh Jones
E. Snowden
W.H. Rawdon Smith
T. F. Sheppard
A. Whitmore
Miss Lind
Hinchcliffe Davies

The following were nominated for election
for the ensuing three years :-

Miss L. Allen,
E.L. Bower
Prof. L. B. Budden
Mrs. Hugh Jones
A. Whitmore
W.H. Rawdon Smith
T.F. Shephard
Miss Lind
Hinchcliffe Davies
E. F. C. Hardman

Representatives of Associate Members on
Executive Committee.

The following members were proposed for
nomination :-

E. F. C. Hardman
R. Clibborn
Mrs. Whitmore
R. Mills Roberts
W. H. Rawdon Smith

The names being voted upon, the following
members secured the greatest number
of votes and accordingly were nominated
for election:-

E. F. C. Hardman
W. H. Rawdon Smith
R. Mills Roberts
R. Clibborn

Nomination of Officers

The following were nominated for election
as officers :-

President - Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President- Mrs. Jas Hamel Calder
Chairman - Professor Abercrombie
Hon. Treasurer. Mr. Paul Rathbone
Hon. Secretary. Mr. Hinchcliffe Davies

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS on, FEBRUARY 12th, 1932, at 5.45. P.M

Present :-

Professor Abercrombie in the chair

Mrs. J. McLeay, Miss Allen, Miss Timmis,
Messrs. Rawdon Smith, G. F. Shepherd, E. L.
Bower, Henry Carr, E. F. C. Hardman, L. B.
Budden, Paul Rathbone and Hinchcliffe
Davies.

An apology for absence was read from Mr.
Herbert Rathbone.

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and confirmed.

Retiring Members

The Hon. Secretary announced that the fol-
lowing members of the General Council
retired this year and were eligible
for re-election:-

Prof. Abercrombie
Mr. Henry Carr
Col. Heywood Melly
Prof. Reilly
Mr. R. Mills Roberts
Mr. W. C. Penn
Miss Timmis.

All these members were nominated for re-
election for the ensuing three years.

Representatives of Associate Members
on Executive Committee

The following names were proposed for nomination:-

Mrs. Collinson
Mrs. Harold Darbishire
Mrs. L. B. Budden
Mr. Attlee
Mr. Rawdon Smith
Mr. E. F. C. Hardman
Mr. R. Clibborn
Mr. R. Mills Roberts.

The names being voted upon, the following members secured the greatest number of votes and accordingly were nominated for election :-

Mrs.L.B.Budden
Mrs.Collinson
Mr Rawdon Smith
Mr.E.F.C.Hardman.

Nomination of Officers

The following were nominated for election as officers :-

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice-President	Mrs.J.Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr.R.H.Thornton
Hon.Treasurer	Mr.Paul Rathbone
Hon.Secretary	Mr.H.Hinchcliffe Davies

Hon.Treasurer's Statement

The Hon.Treasurer submitting his preliminary statement of Receipts and Expenses for the year 1931, which was adopted.

Membership

The Hon.Secretary reported that the total membership was 328 as against 319 last year, the number being made up as follows:-

Associate members	184
Artist Members	112
Country Members	20
Junior Members	<u>12</u>
	<u>328</u>

Audit

It was agreed that the Hon.Treasurer be authorised to incur the sum of £7.7.0 for audit purposes.

Annual Meeting

The date of the annual meeting was fixed for March 11th, 1932 at 6.0.p.m.

R. H. Hinchcliffe Davies

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS on FEBRUARY 16TH, 1933, at 5-45 P.M.

Present :-

Mr. Roland Thornton in the chair.

Prof. L.B. Budden, Messrs. H. Carr, E.F.C. Hardman,
Col. Heywood Melly, Messrs. R. Mills Roberts,
G.H. Parry, W. Penn, P. Rathbone, W.H. Rawdon-
Smith and Mr. H. Hinchcliffe Davies.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and confirmed.

Retiring Members.

The Hon. Secretary announced that the follow-
ing members of the General Council
retired this year and were eligible for
re-election:-

Sir F.C. Bowring,
Mr. E.L. Garrett,
Mr. E.F.C. Hardman.
Mrs. F. Hornby,
Mr. W.L. Irvine,
Mrs. MacLeay,
Mr. G.H. Parry,
Mrs. G. Rathbone,
Mr. R.H. Thornton.

It was agreed that all the above members be
renominated with the exception of Mrs.
G. Rathbone who was no longer permanently
in Liverpool.

It was agreed that Mr. W.R. Burden be
nominated to replace Mrs. Rathbone.

Representatives of Associate Members
on Executive Committee.

The following names were proposed for nomination :-

Mr. Mills Roberts,
Mr. W.H. Rawdon-Smith
Mr. E.F.C. Hardman,
Mrs. Budden
Mrs. Maxwell Fyfe

The names being voted upon, the following members secured the greatest number of votes and accordingly were nominated for election :-

Mrs. Budden,
Mrs. Maxwell Fyfe,
Mr. E.F.C. Hardman,
Mr. W.H. Rawdon-Smith.

Nomination of Officers.

The following were nominated for election as officers :-

President	Viscount Leverhulme,
Vice-President	Mrs. J.Hamel Calder,
Chairman	Mr. R.H. Thornton,
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. Paul Rathbone,
Hon. Secretary	Mr. H.Hinchcliffe Davies.

Hon. Treasurer's Statement.

The Hon. Treasurer submitted his preliminary statement of Receipts and Expenses for the year 1932 which was adopted.

Membership.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total membership was 327 as against 328 last year, the number being made up as follows :-

Associate Members	177
Artist Members	113
Country Members	22
Junior Members	15
	<u>327</u>

Audit.

It was agreed that the Hon. Treasurer be authorised to incur the sum of £7. 7. 0. for audit purposes.

Professor Reilly.

On a recommendation put forward by the Architects Group, it was agreed that Professor C.H. Reilly, who was leaving Liverpool, be elected an Honorary Member of the Society.

Supper to Miss Kirke-Smith.

It was agreed that a supper be given in honour of Miss Kirke-Smith on her retirement from the office of Secretary and the members circularised accordingly.

Annual Meeting.

The date of the annual meeting was fixed for Friday, March 17th. 1933, at 5-45 p.m.

J. Heywood Kelly

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN
THE SOCIETY'S ROOMS on MARCH 9TH, 1934, at 5-45 P.M.

Present :-

Col. Heywood Melly in the chair.

Mrs. Hugh-Jones, Mrs. Macleay,
Miss L. Allen, Miss Lind, Messrs.
E.L. Bower, Prof. L.B. Budden,
W.R. Burden, H. Carr, E.F.C. Hardman,
W.H. Rawdon-Smith and H. Hinchcliffe Davies.

Messages were received from Mrs. Hornby
and Prof. Abercombe apologising for
inability to attend the meeting.

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and confirmed.

Retiring Members

The Hon. Secretary announced that the
following members of the General
Council retired this year and were
eligible for re-election.

Miss L. Allen
Mr. E.L. Bower
Prof. L.B. Budden
Mr. W.R. Burden
Mr. H. Hinchcliffe Davies
Mrs. Hugh-Jones
Miss I. Lind
Mr. W.H. Rawdon-Smith
Mr. T.F. Shepherd
Mr. A. Whitmore

It was agreed that the above ten members
be renominated.

To replace Mrs. Charter who was no longer
a member, Mrs. H. Rathbone and
Prof. Reilly who were away from
Liverpool, and G.H. Parry who had
died, the following were nominated :-

Miss Marjorie Howden
Mr. W.S. MacCunn
Mr. J.E. Marshall
Mr. C.W. Sharpe

Representatives of Associate Members
on Executive Committee.

It was agreed that the following four
members be nominated for election.

Mrs. Budden
Miss Marjorie Howden
Mr. E.F.C. Hardman
Mr. W.H. Rawdon-Smith

Nomination of Officers.

The following were nominated for election
as officers of the Society :-

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice-President	Mrs. J. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. W.H. Rawdon-Smith
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. Paul Rathbone
Hon. Secretary	Mr. H. Hinchcliffe Davies

Hon. Treasurer's Statement.

The Hon. Treasurer submitted his preliminary
statement of Receipts and Payments for
the year 1933.

It was agreed that the statement be accepted,
but that, in view of the loss of £40.
shewn on the year, a sub-committee,
consisting of the Chairman, Hon. Treasurer,
Hon. Secretary and House Secretary, be
formed to go into the matter with the
object of effecting economy.

It was further agreed that a recommendation
be made to the Executive Committee to
consider the possibility of economy in
coal consumption.

Membership.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total membership for the year was 345 against 334 the previous year, the number being made up as follows :-

186 Associate Members
123 Artist Members
24 Country Members
12 Junior Members

345.

Audit.

It was agreed that the Hon. Treasurer be authorised to incur the sum of seven guineas for audit purposes.

Annual General Meeting.

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for Wednesday April 11th, 1934.

W.H. Auden
5.2.35

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN
THE SOCIETY'S ROOMS on FEBRUARY 5th, 1935 at 5.45.p.m.

Present:-

Col. Heywood Melly. in the Chair

Mrs Hornby, Miss Allen, Mrs Whitmore,
Messrs. Rawdon Smith, W.C. Penn, W.R. Burden,
C.W. Sharpe, J.E. Marshall, E.F.C. Hardman,
Roland Thornton, T.F. Shepherd, E.L. Bower,
Paul Rathbone and Hinchcliffe Davies.

Apologies.

An apology for absence was read
from Professor Abercrombie.

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and confirmed.

Retiring Members.

The Hon. Secretary announced that the follow-
ing members of the General Council re-
tired this year and were eligible for
reelection for the ensuing three years:-

Professor Abercrombie
Mr. Henry Carr
Col. Heywood Melly
Mr. W.C. Penn
Mr. R. Mills Roberts
Miss Sutton Timmis
Mr. J.E. Marshall.

It was agreed that the above members be re-
nominated.

Representatives of Associate
Members on Executive Committee.

It was agreed that the following members be
nominated for election :-

Mrs Budden Mr. E.F.C. Hardman
Miss Marjory Howden Mr. W.H. Rawdon Smith

Nomination of Officers.

The following were nominated for election as officers of the Society :-

President :- Viscount Leverhulme
Vice-President : Mrs.J.Hamel Calder
Chairman : Mr.W.H.Rawdon Smith
Hon.Treasurer : Mr.Paul Rathbone
Hon.Secretary : Mr.H.Hinchcliffe Davies

Hon.Treasurer's Statement

The Hon.Treasurer submitted his preliminary Statement of Receipts & Payments for the year 1934.

It was agreed that this statement be accepted. It was also agreed that £100.of the balance in hand be invested with the Halifax Building Society in the names of Colonel Heywood Melly, Mr.W.H. Rawdon Smith and Mr.Paul Rathbone.

Membership

The Hon.Secretary reported that the total membership at the commencement of the year was 355, made up as follows :-

185 Associate Members
125 Artist Members
28 Country Members
17 Junior Members
355

Audit

It was agreed that the Hon.Treasurer be authorised to incur the sum of Seven Guineas for audit purposes.

Annual General Meeting

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for Wednesday 15th March, 1935.

*Wm Rawdon Smith
11.2.35*

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON FEBRUARY 11th. 1936. at 5.45 p.m.

Present Mr. W.H.Rawdon Smith in the Chair

Miss Howden, Mrs. Hornby, Miss Sutton Timmis, Miss Allen, Messrs Penn, Sharpe, Irvine, Sheppard, Bower, Burden, Marshall, Budden, Col. Heywood Melly, Paul Rathbone and Hinchcliffe Davies.

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Retiring Members.

The Hon. Secretary announced that the following members of the General Council retired this year and were eligible for re-election for the ensuing three years :-

Sir F.C. Bowring
Mr. E.L. Garrett
Mr. E.F.C. Hardman
Mrs. Hornby
Mr. W.L. Irvine
Mrs. J. Macleay
Mr. W.S. MacCunn
Miss M. Howden
Mr. C.W. Sharpe
Major R.H. Thornton.

It was agreed that the above members be re-nominated.

Representatives of Associate Members on Executive Committee

It was agreed that the following members be nominated for election :-

Miss M. Howden
Mr. E.F.C. Hardman
Mr. W.H. Rawdon Smith
Mr. W.L. Irvine.

Nomination of Officers.

The following were nominated for election as officers of the Society :-

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice- President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. H.P. Huggill
Hon. Secretary	Mr. Hinchcliffe Davies
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. Paul Rathbone.

Hon. Treasurer's Statement.

The Hon. Treasurer submitted his preliminary statement of receipts and payments for the year 1935. It was agreed that this statement be accepted.

The question of food was discussed at length. It was also agreed that the Executive Committee be asked to revive the House Committee.

Hon. Secretary's Report.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total present membership was 344, made up as follows :-

165	Associate members
138	Artist members
27	Country members
<u>14</u>	Junior members
<u>344</u>	

Audit

It was agreed that the Hon. Treasurer be authorised to incur the sum of seven guineas for audit purposes.

Annual General Meeting

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for Wednesday, 11th. March 1936 at 6.0. p.m.

A.P. Huggill
16-2-1937.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON FEBRUARY 16th. 1937 at 5.45 p.m.

Present Mr. H.P. Huggill in the Chair

Miss Howden, Messrs Sheppard, Whitmore, Bower,
Sharpe, Penn, Paul Rathbone and Hinchcliffe
Davies.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Miss
Allen, Mrs. Hornby and Miss Sutton Timmis.

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed.

Nomination of members for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary announced that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year and were eligible for re-election for the
ensuing three years : -

Miss L. Allen
Mr. E.L. Bower
Prof. L.B. Budden
Mr. W.R. Burden
Mr. H. Hinchcliffe Davies
Mrs. Hugh Jones
Miss I. Lind
Mr. W.H. Rawden Smith
Mr. T.F. Sheppard
Mr. A. Whitmore

It was agreed that the above members, with the
exception of Mr. Rawdon Smith who had left
Liverpool, should be re-elected.
Two casual vacancies occurred owing to the death
of Sir F.C. Bowring and the resignation of
Professor Abercrombie.
For the three vacancies on the Council the
following were nominated :-

Mr. A.K. Holland
Mr. H.P. Huggill
Mr. Paul Rathbone

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON FEBRUARY 16th. 1937 at 5.45 p.m.

Present Mr. H.P. Huggill in the Chair

Miss Howden, Messrs Shepheard, Whitmore, Bower,
Sharpe, Penn, Paul Rathbone and Hinchcliffe
Davies.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Miss
Allen, Mrs. Hornby and Miss Sutton Timmis.

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed.

Nomination of members for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary announced that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year and were eligible for re-election for the
ensuing three years : -

Miss L. Allen
Mr. E.L. Bower
Prof. L.B. Budden
Mr. W.R. Burden
Mr. H. Hinchcliffe Davies
Mrs. Hugh Jones
Miss I. Lind
Mr. W.H. Rawden Smith
Mr. T.F. Shepheard
Mr. A. Whitmore

It was agreed that the above members, with the
exception of Mr. Rawdon Smith who had left
Liverpool, should be re-elected.
Two casual vacancies occurred owing to the death
of Sir F.C. Bowring and the resignation of
Professor Abercrombie.
For the three vacancies on the Council the
following were nominated :-

Mr. A.K. Holland
Mr. H.P. Huggill
Mr. Paul Rathbone

Nomination of representatives of Associate Members on Executive Committee.

It was agreed that the following members be nominated for election :-

Miss M.P. Howden
Mr. W.L. Irvine
Mr. E.F.C. Hardman
Mr. R. Mills Roberts

Nomination of Officers

The following were nominated for election as officers of the Society :-

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. H.P. Huggill
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. J.G. Sheridan
Hon. Secretary	Mr. H.Hinchcliffe Davies

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Account.

The Hon. Treasurer submitted his preliminary statement of receipts and payments for the year 1936. It was agreed that this statement be accepted.

Hon. Secretary's report for the year 1936.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total membership was 356, made up as follows :-

160 Associate members
147 Artist members
33 Country members
& 16 Junior members
356

Audit

It was agreed that the Hon. Treasurer be authorised to incur the sum of seven guineas for audit purposes

Supper to Mr. & Mrs. W.H. Rawdon Smith

It was suggested that a recommendation be placed before the Executive Committee to hold a Farewell Supper to Mr. & Mrs. Rawdon Smith. This was agreed

Annual General Meeting

The date of the Annual General Meeting was
fixed for Tuesday, March 16th. at 6 p.m.

A. D. Hewitt

24. 2. 1938.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24th. 1938.

Present Mr. H.P.Huggill in the Chair

Miss Howden, Messrs Penn, Whitmore, Bower,
Holland, Shepheard, Burden, Irvine, Marshall,
Sharpe, Sheridan and Hinchcliffe Davies.

Apologies for absence were received from Miss Allen
and Professor Budden.

Minutes. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed.

Nomination of members for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary announced that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year and were eligible for re-election for the
ensuing three years :-

Mr. W.C. Penn
Mr. R. Mills Roberts
Miss Sutton Pimmis *Mr. Tyson Smith*
Mr. J.E. Marshall
Mr. H.P. Huggill

Two casual vacancies occurred owing to the
deaths of Mr. Henry Carr and Col. Heywood Melly.
For these two vacancies on the Council the
following were nominated :-

Mr. Duncan Campbell
Mr. E.S. Ouseley Smith

Nomination of representatives of Associate members on
Executive Committee.

It was agreed that the following members be
nominated for election :-

Miss Howden
Mr. E.F.C. Hardman
Mr. W.L. Irvine
Mr. Paul Rathbone

Nomination of Officers.

The following were nominated for election as Officers of the Society.

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. Duncan Campbell
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. Donald Lynch
Hon. Secretary	Mr. Ouseley Smith and Mr. Cecil Sheridan were proposed. On a vote being taken Mr. Ouseley Smith was elected for nomination.

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts.

The Hon. Treasurer submitted his preliminary statement of receipts and payments for the year 1937. It was agreed that this statement be **Accepted.**

Hon. Secretary's Report for the year 1937.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total membership was 342, made up as follows :-

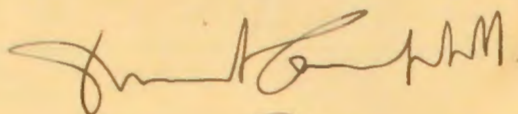
158	Associate Members
139	Artist Members
32	Country Members
<u>13</u>	Junior Members
<u>342</u>	

Audit. It was agreed that the Hon. Treasurer be authorised to incur the sum of seven guineas for audit purposes.

A resolution was passed that the Hon. Secretary be instructed to draw the attention of Group Secretaries to the wording of Clauses 4a and 24a (Section 2) of the Rules in connection with the election of their representatives to the Executive Committee.

Annual General Meeting.

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for Thursday, March 24th. at 6pm.



24 Feb 1939.

Resolution passed by General Council on February 24th. 1938.

"That the Hon. Secretary be instructed to draw the attention of group secretaries to the wording of Clauses 4a and 24a (section 2) in connection with the election of their representatives to the Executive Committee".

Clause 4(a). The category of Artist-Members shall comprise members who practice any art - Literature, Drama, Music, Architecture, Sculpture, Painting etc. - either in a creative or an executant capacity.

Clause 24a (Section 2)

The Executive Committee shall consist of :-

twelve representatives of the Artist Members, of whom six shall be representatives of the Painters' and Sculptors' group.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24th. 1939

Present Mr. Duncan Campbell in the Chair

Miss Allen, Miss Howden, Mrs. Macleay, Messrs
Shepherd, Bower, Rathbone, Lynch, Huggill,
Tyson Smith, Irvine, Burden, Sharpe and
Ouseley Smith.

An apology for absence was received from Mr.
Mills Roberts.

Minutes. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and approved.

Nomination of members for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary announced that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year and were eligible for re-election for the
ensuing three years :-

Mr. E.L. Garrett	Mr. W.S. MacCunn
Mr. F.C. Hardman	Miss M. Howden
Mr. W.L. Irvine	Mr. C.W. Sharpe
Mrs. J. Macleay	Mr. R.H. Thornton
Mr. Paul Rathbone	

Owing to Mrs. Hornby's resignation there was one
vacancy on the Council.

It was proposed by Mr. Burden, seconded by Miss
Allen that all the retiring members be re-elected.
This was agreed.

It was proposed by Mr. Ouseley Smith and seconded
by Miss Howden that Dr. Morley Mathieson be
asked to fill the vacancy. This was agreed.

Nomination of representatives of Associate Members on
Executive Committee.

It was agreed that the following members be
nominated for election :-

Miss Howden
Mr. W.L. Irvine
Mr. Paul Rathbone

In place of Mr. Hardman, who had resigned, Miss
Howden proposed and Miss Allen seconded that Mrs.
Ruede be asked to stand. This was agreed.

Nomination of Officers

The following were nominated for election as Officers of the Society

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. Duncan Campbell
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. Donald D. Lynch
Hon. Secretary	Mr. S. Ouseley Smith

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts.

The Hon. Treasurer submitted his preliminary statement of receipts and payments for the year 1938.

Arising out of this statement the General Council recommended that the Executive Committee should examine the item of newspapers and magazines to see if it was possible to delete any periodicals now taken by the Society.

Coal. It was suggested that a cheaper contract might be obtained for the summer months.

It was proposed by Mr. Sharpe, seconded by Mrs. Macleay that the Statement of Accounts be adopted. This was agreed.

Hon. Secretary's Report for the year 1938.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total membership was 344, made up as follows :-

160	Associate members
137	Artst Members
36	Country members
11	Junior members
<u>344</u>	

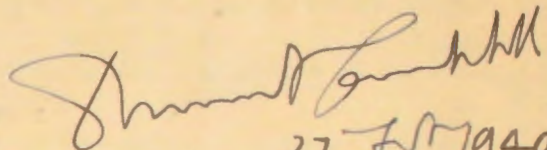
There had been 31 elections and 28 resignations during the year.

The usual club activities had taken place during the year.

Audit. It was agreed that the Hon. Treasurer be authorised to incur the sum of seven guineas for audit purposes.

Annual General Meeting

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for Wednesday, March 29th. at 6 p.m. in the Music Room.


27 Mar 1940.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27th, 1940.

Present Mr. Duncan Campbell in the Chair

Miss Lind, Miss Allen, Mrs. Macleay, Messrs. Rathbone, Sharpe, Bower, Burden, Marshall, Penn, Huggill and Tyson Smith.

An apology for absence was received from Mr. Lynch.

Minutes. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Nomination for members for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary announced that the following members of the General Council retired this year and were eligible for re-election for the ensuing three years :-

Miss Allen	Mr. Holland
Mr. Bower	Mrs. Hugh Jones
Prof. Budden	Miss Lind
Mr. Burden	Mr. Shephard
Mr. H.H. Davies	Mr. Whitmore

It was proposed by Mr. Marshall, seconded by Mr. Sharpe that these members be re-elected en bloc. This was agreed.

Nomination of Representatives of Associate members to
serve on Executive Committee.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the present representatives were Miss Howde, Mrs. Morley Mathieson, Mr. Irvine and Mr. Paul Rathbone. Miss Howden and Mr. Irvine were not at present in the district and Mr. Rathbone said he was not able to serve for another year. It was there fore proposed that the following members be asked :-

Mrs. Morley Mathieson, Miss Picton
Mrs. Roaf, Miss Brocklehurst and Mr.
Scholefield Allen

Nomination of Officers.

The following officers, proposed by Mr. Duncan Campbell and seconded by Mr. Bower, were nominated as Officers of the Society.

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. W.C. Penn
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. D.D. Lynch
Hon. Secretary	Mr. Tyson Smith

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts.

The Hon. Treasurer's statement of receipts and payments for the year 1939 was submitted. It was proposed by Mr. Rathbone, seconded by Mr. Sharpe that this be adopted. This was agreed.

Hon. Secretary's Report for the year 1939.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total membership was 330, made up as follows :-

156	Associate members
132	Artist members
35	Country members
<u>7</u>	Junior members
<u>330</u>	

There had been 16 elections and 28 resignations during the year.

Professor P. Abercrombie had been invited to become an honorary member.

The Music Group had held seven recitals during the year.

The Dramatic Group had produced the opera "Polly" in the Bluecoat Hall.

It had not been possible to hold the Cabaret, the Hogmanay dance & party or the painters Exhibition owing to the war.

Audit. It was agreed that the Hon. Treasurer be authorised to incur the sum of seven guineas for audit purposes, but the Council proposed that the Executive Committee

be asked if the services of an outside auditor could be dispensed with in the interests of economy.

Annual General Meeting.

The date of the Annual General Meeting was arranged for Tuesday, April 2nd. at 6 p.m. in the Music Room.

Will. C. Penn

GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING IN THE SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON
THURSDAY, APRIL 3rd. 1941.

In default of a quorum of the General Council at a meeting summoned for 3rd. April 1941, Office Bearers, -with the exceptions of the positions of Chairman and Hon. Secretary, Representatives of Associate Members to serve on the Executive Committee and Representatives to serve on General Council, are all nominated for re-election at the General Meeting, with the addition of the name of Mr. Scholefield Allen to fill the vacancy on the General Council created by the death of Mr. Mills Roberts.

Mr. Will C. Penn and Mr. H. Tyson Smith are both nominated for re-election as Chairman and Hon. Secretary respectively by Messrs W. R. Burden and Mr. D. D. Lynch.

Office Bearers

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. Will C. Penn
Hon. Secretary	Mr. H. Tyson Smith
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. Donald D. Lynch

Representatives of Associate Members to serve on Executive Committee.

Mr. Scholefield Allen
Miss A. M. Dawson
Mrs. Morley Mathewson
Mrs. Roaf

Representatives to serve on General Council

Mr. W. C. Penn	Mr. J. E. Marshall
Mr. H. P. Huggill	Mr. E. S. Ouseley Smith
Mr. H. Tyson Smith	Mr. Duncan Campbell

Mr. Scholefield Allen.

Date of General Meeting.

Thursday, May 1st. 1941 at 1.45 p.m. in the Music Room.

*Will C. Penn
24/2/42*

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24th. 1942.

Present Mr. Penn in the Chair

Miss Allen, Mrs. Roxby, Messrs Huggill,
Scholefield Allen, Shephard, Budden, ~~Smith~~
and Tyson Smith.

An apology for absence was received from
Mr. Hardman.

Minutes. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and approved.

Nomination for Members for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year and were eligible for re-election for the
ensuing three years :-

Mr. E. L. Garrett	Dr. Morley Mathieson
Mr. E. F. C. Hardman	Mrs. P. M. Roxby
Mr. W. L. Irvine	Mr. Paul Rathbone
Mrs. J. Macleay	Mr. U. W. Sharpe
Mr. W. S. MacCunn	Mr. R. H. Thornton

The names of Mrs. Permewan, Miss McKay and Mr.
W. Rushworth were proposed and seconded, and it
was agreed that these should be nominated in
place of Mr. Hardman, Mr. Irvine and Mr. MacCunn.

Nomination of Representatives of Associate Members to
serve on Executive Committee.

It was agreed that the present four members
be nominated for re-election :-

Mr. Scholefield Allen
Miss A. M. Dawson
Mrs. Morley Mathieson
Mrs. Roaf.

Nomination of Officers.

The following Officers were nominated for re-election :-

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. W.C. Penn
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. D.D. Lynch
Hon. Secretary	Mr. H. Tyson Smith

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts for the year 1941.

It was proposed by Professor Budden, seconded by Mrs. Roxby that the statement of accounts be accepted as submitted and passed to the General Meeting. This was agreed.

Hon. Secretary's Report for the year 1941.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total membership at the end of 1941 was 305 as compared with 297 in the previous year, made up as follows :-

135	Associate members
120	Artist members
41	Country members
9	Junior members

305

There had been 15 elections and 7 resignations during the year. 28 members were serving in H.M. Forces.

Club activities had been further curtailed because of bomb damage, as the Music Room had been used for a Dining Room.

The Dramatic Group had given an Entertainment during the Summer, and a series of Afternoon Tea Dances had been arranged which were proving very popular.

The Music Group had arranged lunch hour concerts during the early part of the year.

Audit.

It was agreed that the Hon. Treasurer be authorised to incur the sum of seven guineas for audit purposes.

Annual General Meeting.

The date of the Annual General Meeting was arranged for Tuesday, March 24th. at 1.45p.m. in the Music Room.

*Will. G. Penn
17.3.43.*

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17th 1943.

Present Mr. Penn in the Chair

Mrs. Macleay, Miss McKay, Messrs Bower,
Sharpe, Budden, Lynch and Tyson Smith.
Apologies for absence were received from Miss L.
Allen and Mr. Scholefield Allen.

Minutes. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed.

Nomination of Members for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the following
members of the General Council retired this year
and were eligible for re-election for the
ensuing three years :-

Miss L. Allen	Mr. A.K. Holland
Mr. E.L. Bower	Mrs. Hugh Jones
Prof. L.B. Budden	Miss I. Lind
Mr. W.R. Burden	Mr. T.F. Shepheard
Mr. H.H. Davies	Mr. A. Whitmore

The Names of Mr. Fitzbrown and Mr. Henery were
proposed and seconded, and it was agreed that
they should be nominated in the places of Mr.
Hinchcliffe Davies and Mr. Whitmore. Miss
Humphreys was nominated in place of Mr. Holland
who had sent his resignation.

Nomination of Representatives of Associate Members to
serve on the Executive Committee.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the present
members were Mr. Scholefield Allen, Miss Dawson,
Mrs. Morley Mathieson and Mrs. Roaf. Mrs. Roaf
did not wish to continue as a representative and
it was proposed that Miss Kidwell be asked to
take her place. This was agreed.

Nomination of Officers

The following Officers were nominated for
re-election:-

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. Will C. Penn
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. Donald D. Lynch
Hon. Secretary	Mr. H. Tyson Smith

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts for the year 1942.

It was agreed that the Statement of Accounts as shewn be accepted and passed to the General Meeting.

Hon. Secretary's Report for the year 1942.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total membership at the end of 1942 was 321 as compared with 305 at the end of 1941, made up as follows :-

<u>1941</u>		<u>1942</u>
135	Associate Members	150
120	Artist Members	117
41	Country Members	44
9	Junior Members	10
<u>305</u>		<u>321</u>

There had been 26 Elections, 6 re-elections, 7 Resignations and 1 Death during the year, and the names of 8 members had been removed from the list for non-payment of subscriptions. Afternoon Tea Dances had been held during the early part of the year.

The Painters and Sculptors had organised a very successful Exhibition in aid of the Bluecoat Re-building Fund. A total of £253.15.0 had been raised and handed over to the Trustees.

A greater part of the Club had been renovated and re-decorated and the Dining Room put into use again.

Owing to the increasing difficulties of catering and staffing it had been found necessary to curtail the admission of Associate Members. Those wishing to join were now placed on a waiting list and elected as a vacancy arose.

Audit.

The Hon. Treasurer was empowered to incur the sum of seven guineas for audit purposes.

Annual General Meeting.

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for Thursday, April 15th. at 5.30 p.m.

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29/2/44*

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 29th. 1944.

Present

Mr. Penn

in the Chair

Miss Allen, Miss McKay, Mrs. Roxby, Mrs. Macleay,
Messrs Sheppard, Sharpe, Fitzbrown, Scholefield
Allen, Lynch.

An apology for absence was received from Mr.
Tyson Smith.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and approved.

NOMINATION OF MEMBERS FOR GENERAL COUNCIL.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year, but were eligible for re-election for
the ensuing three years :-

Mr. Penn	Mr. Tyson Smith
Mr. Huggill	Mr. Ouseley Smith
Mr. Marshall	Mr. Duncan Campbell
Mr. Scholefield Allen	

It was proposed by Mr. Scholefield Allen,
seconded by Mr. Lynch that Mr. Thearle be elected
instead of Mr. Ouseley Smith, this was agreed.
It was then proposed by Miss McKay, seconded by
Miss Allen that the above seven members be
elected - this was agreed.

NOMINATION OF REPRESENTATIVES OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERS TO
SERVE ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

It was agreed that the present four members be
nominated for re-election :-

Mr. Scholefield Allen
Miss A.M. Dawson
Miss E. Kidwell
Mrs. Morley Mathieson

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

The following Officers were nominated for re-election :-

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. W.C. Penn
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. D.D. Lynch
Hon. Secretary	Mr. H. Tyson Smith

HON. TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 1943.

It was proposed by Mr. Scholefield Allen, seconded by Mr. Shepherd that the Balance Sheet as shown be accepted and passed to the General Meeting. This was agreed.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1943.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total membership at the end of 1943 was 331 as compared with 321 at the end of the previous year, made up as follows :-

<u>1942</u>		<u>1943</u>
150	Associate Members	154
117	Artist Members	121
44	Country Members	47
<u>10</u>	Junior Members	<u>9</u>
<u>321</u>		<u>331</u>

There had been 22 Elections, 2 re-elections and 6 Resignations during the year, and the names of 8 members had been removed from the list for non-payment of subscriptions.

36 Members of the Club were serving in H.M. Forces. There had been no Social activities during the year.

AUDIT. The Hon. Treasurer was empowered to incur the sum of seven guineas for audit purposes.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The date of the annual general meeting was fixed for Tuesday, March 28th. at 5.30 p.m.

W.C. Penn
20/3/43

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON TUESDAY, MARCH 20th, 1945.

Present Mr. Penn in the Chair

Miss Allen, Miss Lind, Miss McKay, Mrs.
Permewan, Mrs. Macleay, Messrs Shephard,
Burden, Scholefield Allen, Budden,
FitzBrown and Tyson Smith.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and approved.

NOMINATION OF MEMBERS FOR GENERAL COUNCIL.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year, but were eligible for re-election
for the ensuing three years :-

Mr. Garrett	Mrs. Permewan
Miss McKay	Mr. Rathbone
<i>Mr. Scholefield</i> Mrs. Macleay	Mr. Sharpe
<i>Mr. Budden</i> Dr. Morley Mathieson	Mr. Thornton
<i>Mr. W. Rushworth</i>	<i>Mrs. Roxby</i>

There were two vacancies on the Council due
to the resignation of Mrs. Roxby and the
death of Mr. Rushworth. Mr. Scholefield
Allen proposed and Mr. FitzBrown seconded
that the eight members be re-elected, this
was agreed. The names of Mrs. Charles
Booth and Mr. Velarde were proposed and
seconded to fill the vacancies. This was
agreed.

NOMINATION OF REPRESENTATIVES OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERS TO
SERVE ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

It was agreed that the present four members
be nominated for re-election :-

Mr. Scholefield Allen
Miss A.M. Dawson
Miss E. Kidwell
Mrs. Morley Mathieson

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

The following Officers were nominated for election :-

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. W.R. Burden
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. A. Fitz Brown
Hon. Secretary	Mr. H. Tyson Smith

HON. TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 1944

It was proposed by Mr. Sharpe seconded by Professor Budden that the Balance Sheet as shewn be adopted and passed to the General Meeting. This was agreed.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1944.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total membership at the end of 1944 was 331, the same as the previous year, made up as follows :-

<u>1943</u>		<u>1944</u>
154	Associate Members	152
121	Artist Members	126
47	Country Members	47
9	Junior Members	6
<u>331</u>		<u>331</u>

There had been 14 Elections and 2 re-elections during the year. 9 Resignations and 2 deaths, and the names of 5 members removed for non-payment of subscriptions.

36 Members were serving in H.M. Forces.

The Painters and Sculptors Group held an Exhibition in November, their first since the War.

Mrs. Clarke had retired after 20 years service to the Club. She had been granted a pension of 10/- a week, and at the request of many members a subscription had been opened. At a small tea party in September she had been presented with a cheque for £160.

AUDIT. The Hon. Treasurer was empowered to incur the sum of £7.7.0 for audit purposes.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for Wednesday, 25th. April at 5.30p.m.

W. B. Munden

Feb 26 1946

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26th. 1946.

Present

Mr. Burden

On the Chair

Miss Allen, Miss McKay, Miss Humphreys,
Mrs. Macleay, Messrs Shephard, Bower, Penn,
Huggill, Henery, Budden, FitzBrown and Tyson
Smith.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and approved.

NOMINATION OF MEMBERS FOR GENERAL COUNCIL.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year but were eligible for re-election for
the ensuing three years :-

Miss L. Allen	Mr. R. W. P. Henery
Mr. E. L. Bower	Miss W. O. Humphreys
Prof. L. B. Budden	Mrs. T. Hugh Jones
Mr. W. R. Burden	Miss I. Lind
Mr. A. FitzBrown	Mr. T. F. Shephard

Mr. Huggill proposed and Miss McKay seconded
that these members be re-elected en bloc. This
was agreed.

NOMINATION OF REPRESENTATIVES OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERS TO
SERVE ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the present
serving members were :-

Mr. Scholefield Allen
Miss A. M. Dawson
Miss E. Kidwell
Mrs. Morley Mathieson

Mr. Scholefield Allen had intimated that he did
not wish to carry on, and for this vacancy three
names were put forward - Mr. W. Rawdon Smith,
Mrs. Paul Rathbone, and Mr. Ifor Parry. On a
vote being taken the following four members
were nominated for election :-

Miss Kidwell Mr. Ifor Parry
Mr. W. Rawdon Smith Mrs. Paul Rathbone

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

The following Officers were nominated for re-election :-

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. W.R. Burden
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. A. FitzBrown
Hon. Secretary	Mr. H. Tyson Smith

HON. TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 1945.

It was proposed by Professor Budden and seconded by Mrs. Macleay that the Balance Sheet as shewn be adopted and passed to the General Meeting. This was agreed.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1945.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total membership at the end of 1945 was 343 as compared with 331 at the end of 1944, made up as follows :-

<u>1944</u>	<u>1945</u>
152 Associate Members	150
126 Artist Members	127
47 Country Members	56
6 Junior Members	10
<u>331</u>	<u>343</u>

There had been 24 Elections and 3 re-elections, 10 Resignations and 2 deaths, and the names of 3 members had been crossed off for various reasons.

The Painters & Sculptors Group had held an Exhibition in October.

The Childrens Hogmanay Party had been held, though on a much smaller scale than usual.

AUDIT The Hon. Treasurer was empowered to incur the sum of seven guineas for audit purposes.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for Tuesday, 26th. March 1946 at 5.15 p.m. in the Music Room.

M. J. Sturden
Feb 20 1947

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20th. 1947.

Present Mr. Burden in the Chair

Miss Humphreys, Messrs Penn, Sharpe,
Huggill, FitzBrown and Tyson Smith.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and approved.

NOMINATION OF MEMBERS FOR GENERAL COUNCIL

The Hon. Secretary reported that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year but were eligible for re-election for the
ensuing three years :-

Mr. Scholefield Allen	Mr. J. E. Marshall
Mr. Duncan Campbell	Mr. W. C. Penn
Mr. H. P. Huggill	Mr. H. Tyson Smith
Mr. H. Thearle	

Mr. Sharpe proposed and Miss Humphreys seconded
that these members be re-elected en bloc. This
was agreed.

There were also three vacancies due to resigna-
tions. Miss Humphreys proposed and Mr. Huggill
seconded that Miss Dawson, Mr. John Sheridan
and Mr. Ormrod be nominated. This was agreed.

NOMINATION OF REPRESENTATIVES OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERS TO
SERVE ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Hon. Secretary reported that the present
serving members were :-

Miss Kidwell	Mr. Rawdon Smith
Mr. Ifor Parry	Mrs. Thornton

Mr. Sharpe proposed and Mr. Tyson Smith
seconded that the following be nominated for
election:-

Miss Dawson	Mr. Rawdon Smith
Mr. Ifor Parry	Mrs. Thornton

This was agreed.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

The following Officers were nomination for election :-

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. W.R. Burden
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. F.J.M. Ormrod
Hon. Secretary	Mr. G.C. Brooks

HON. TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 1946.

It was proposed and seconded that the Balance Sheet as shewn be adopted and passed to the General Meeting. This was agreed. The Hon. Treasurer reported that in all probability it would be necessary to raise the subscriptions and possibly make a call on members, but this would be done at an Extraordinary General Meeting later in the year.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1946

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total membership at the end of 1946 was 359 as compared with 343 at the end of 1945, made up as follows :-

1945	1946
150 Associate Members	147
127 Artist Members	138
56 Country Members	63
10 Junior Members	11
<u>343</u>	<u>359</u>

There had been 25 Elections and 5 re-elections. 11 Resignations and 3 deaths.

The Painters & Sculptors Group held their Exhibition in November.

The Music Group had arranged 4 recitals during the year, the artists being Miss Lucy Scollick, Miss Dorothy Reid, Mr. Gordon Green and Miss Thraves' pupils.

A Hallowe'en Party and Dance was held on November 1st. The Childrens Hogmanay Party was followed by a dance and floor show for members and friends, and was a great success.

AUDIT The Hon. Treasurer was empowered to incur the sum of seven guineas for audit purposes.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for Thursday, March 20th. 1947 at 5.15 p.m. in the Music Room.

W. B. Gardner
March 20th 1947

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON TUESDAY, MARCH 2nd. 1948

Present Mr. Burden in the Chair

Mrs. Permewan, Miss Dawson, Miss Lind,
Miss Allen, Miss Humphreys, Messrs Huggill,
Marshall, Tyson Smith, Bower, Ormrod and
Brooks.

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs
Shepherd, Sharpe, Sheridan and FitzBrown.

Minutes. The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and approved.

Nomination of Members for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year, but were eligible for re-election for
the ensuing three years :-

Miss Dawson	Mr. Sharpe
Mr. Ormrod	Mr. Sheridan
Mrs. Permewan	Mr. Thornton
Mr. Rathbone	Mr. Velarde

Mr. Marshall proposed and Mr. Huggill seconded
that these members be re-elected en bloc.
This was agreed.

There were also two vacancies due to the death
of Miss McKay and the resignation of Mr.
Garrett. It was proposed that the Hon. Ruth
Lever and Mr. G.C. Brooks be nominated. This
was agreed.

Nomination of Representatives of Associate Members to
serve on Executive Committee.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the present
serving members were :-

Mrs. Thornton	Mr. Ifor Parry
Miss S. Campbell	Mr. W.H. Rawdon Smith

Miss Campbell and Mr. Rawdon Smith wished to
resign on leaving the district, and the
following four names were proposed for
nomination :-

Mr. G.W. Armour	Mrs. Dorward
Mr. P.R. Evans	Mrs. Thornton

This was agreed.

Nomination of Officers

The following Officers were nominated for election :-

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	Mr. John G. Sheridan
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. F. J. M. Ormrod
Hon. Secretary	Mr. G. C. Brooks

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts for 1947

The Hon. Treasurer reported that he wished in future to present the Balance Sheet in the more proper form of an "Income and Expenditure Account", thus giving a truer statement of the Club's finances. It was agreed that this should be done this year and the accounts as shewn were passed to the General Meeting.

Hon. Secretary's Report for the year 1947.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total membership at the end of 1947 was 357 as compared with 359 at the end of 1946, made up as follows :-

<u>1946</u>	<u>1947</u>
147 Associate Members	145
138 Artist Members	138
63 Country Members	59
11 Junior Members	15
<u>359</u>	<u>357</u>

There had been 32 Elections, 5 re-elections, 28 resignations and 2 deaths.

The names of 9 service members had been removed from the list of members had they had not taken up their membership after demobilisation.

The Painters & Sculptors Group held their Exhibition in November.

The Music Group organised recitals by Cecile Lanyon, Lucy Scollick, Denis Mathews, John Mason and the West Kirby Ladies Choir.

The Dramatic Group held a Play Reading.
There was a Hallowe'en Party and Dance.
The Childrens Hogmanay Party had been followed by
an informal dance.
A Reception in honour of Sir Adrian Boult and Dr.
Gerald Abrahams was given in conjunction with
the Music Guild.
An Extraordinary General Meeting was held in
November to discuss Club finances, and it was
decided to raise all subscriptions.

Audit. The Hon. Treasurer was empowered to incur the
sum of seven guineas for audit purposes.

Annual General Meeting.

The date of the Annual General Meeting was
fixed for Tuesday, April 6th. 1948 at 5.15p.m.
in the Music Room.

W. J. J. J.
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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON FRIDAY, 11th. MARCH 1949

Present Mr. Sheridan in the Chair

Miss Humphreys, Miss Dawson, Mrs. Permewan,
Messrs Penn, Burden, Marshall, FitzBrown
Bower, Tyson Smith, Ormrod and Brooks.

Apologies for absence were received from Miss
Lever and Mr. Shephard.

Minutes. The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and approved.

Nomination of Members for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year, but were eligible for re-election for
the ensuing three years :-

Miss L. Allen	Mr. R.W.P. Henery
Mr. E.L. Bower	Miss W.O. Humphreys
Prof. L.B. Budden	Mrs. T. Hugh Jones
Mr. W.R. Burden	Miss I. Lind
Mr. A. FitzBrown	Mr. T.F. Shephard

It was proposed by Mr. Marshall, seconded by
Mr. FitzBrown that, with the exception of
Mr. Shephard, these members be re-elected
en bloc. This was agreed. In place of Mr.
Shephard, it was proposed by Mr. Tyson
Smith, seconded by Miss Humphreys that Mr.
Coburn Witherop be elected. This was agreed.

Nomination of Representatives of Associate Members to
serve on Executive Committee.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the present
serving members were :-

Mr. G.W.G. Armour
Mrs. Dorward
Mr. P.R. Evans
Mrs. R.H. Thornton

It was proposed by Miss Humphreys, seconded
by Mrs. Permewan that they all be re-elected.
This was agreed.

Nomination of Officers.

The following Officers were nominated for election :-

President	Viscount Leverhulme
Vice President	Mrs. J.Hamel Calder
Chairman	The Hon. Ruth Lever
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. F.J.M.Ormrod
Hon. Secretary	Mr. G.Clifford Brooks

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts for 1948

The Hon. Treasurer reported a profit of £183 on the year's working, which he considered entirely justified the increase in subscriptions. It was agreed that the accounts as shewn be passed to the General Meeting.

Hon. Secretary's Report for the year 1948.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total ^{paying} membership at the end of 1948 was 340 compared with 357 at the end of 1947.

This total was made up as follows :-

185 Associate Members
87 Professional Members
22 Junior Members
46 Country Members

340

There were also 8 Hon. Members
There had been 28 elections during the year, 32 resignations and the names of 13 members had been removed from the Club books owing to non-payment of subscriptions. There had also been three deaths during the year - Prof. Sir Charles Reilly, Miss Edina Thraves and Sir John Shute.

The Music Group held four recitals during the year, and the Dramatic Group gave five play readings.

The usual Children's Hogmanay party was held and was a great success. This was followed by an informal Club dance.

The Painters & Sculptors Group held their Exhibition in November.

In October it was decided to keep the Club open later in the evenings, and to serve meals until 7.30. This started off well, but the numbers gradually decreased and very little use was made of the Club after 7.30.p.m.

Audit. The Hon. Treasurer was empowered to incur the sum of seven guineas for audit purposes.

Annual General Meeting.

It was agreed that the Annual General Meeting be held in the Music Room on Wednesday, April 6th. at 5.15.p.m.

*Ruth Brown
Feb 28th 1950.*

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28th. 1950.

Present Miss Lever in the Chair

Miss Lind, Miss Humphreys, Messrs Marshall,
FitzBrown, Tyson Smith, Coburn Witherop,
Burden, Bower, Henery, Ormrod and Brooks.

Apologies for absence were received from Miss
Dawson, Mrs. Permewan and Mr. Sharpe.

Minutes. The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and approved.

Nomination of members for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year, but were eligible for re-election for
the ensuing three years :-

Mr. Duncan Campbell
Mr. H.P. Huggill
Mr. J.E. Marshall
Mr. W.C. Penn
Mr. H. Tyson Smith
Mr. H. Thearle

There was one vacancy owing to the resignation
of Mr. Scholefield Allen.

It was proposed by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr.
Witherop that, with the exception of Mr.
Duncan Campbell who had left the district the
above members be re-elected en bloc. This was
agreed. For the two vacancies it was proposed
that Mr. Armour and Mrs. Thornton be elected.
This was agreed.

Nomination of Representatives of Associate Members to
serve on Executive Committee.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the present
serving members were :-

Mr. G.W.G. Armour
Mrs. Dorward
Mr. P.R. Evans
Mrs. Thornton

It was proposed by Mr. Tyson Smith, seconded by Miss Humphreys that they all be re-elected. This was agreed.

Nomination of Officers.

Owing to the death of Lord Leverhulme it was necessary to nominate a new President. Miss Lever proposed that Major R.H.Thornton be nominated for election, this was seconded by Miss Humphreys and carried unanimously. The other Officers, as follows, were nominated en bloc :-

Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	The Hon. Ruth Lever
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. F.J.M.Ormrod
Hon. Secretary	Mr. G.Clifford Brooks

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts for 1949.

The Hon. Treasurer reported a profit of £140 on the year's working. This was slightly less than last year, but was due to a decrease in profits on the Catering Account which should be remedied this year now that the restriction on the price of meals had been removed.

He also reported that it would be necessary in the near future to launch a special appeal for about £2000 for the re-equipment of the Club furniture and fittings, especially in the kitchen. It was agreed that this be tackled by the Executive Committee.

The accounts as shewn were agreed for approval at the Annual General Meeting.

Hon. Secretary's Report for the year 1949.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the total paying membership for the year ending December 31st. 1949 was 321, compared with 340 at the end of 1948.

This total was made up as follows :-

178	Associate Members
84	Professional Members
20	Junior Members
39	Country Members

There were also 7 Honorary Members
There had been 24 elections during the year, 28
resignations and the names of 8 members had
been crossed off the books for non-payment of
subscriptions. There had also been 7 deaths.
These were Mrs. Moss, Mr. Harold Hall, Miss
Roaf, Lord Leverhulme, Mrs. Maurice Stern,
Mrs. Garstang and Mrs. Atkinson.

The Music Group held four recitals during the
year, and the Dramatic Group four play readings.
The Painters and Sculptors Group held their
Exhibition in December, and three Club members
had private Exhibitions in the Music Room.
The Childrens Hogmanay Party was held as usual
followed by a very successful dance and play.
There had been several informal Saturday
evening dances.

Audit. The Hon. Treasurer was empowered to incur the
sum of seven guineas for audit purposes.

Annual General Meeting.

It was agreed that the Annual General Meeting
be held in the Music Room on Wednesday, March
29th. at 5.30 p.m.

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23th. 1951.

Present Miss Lever in the Chair

Mrs. Thornton, Miss Humphreys, Miss Lind,
Miss Dawson, Messrs Sheridan, Rathbone,
Brooks, Tyson Smith, Witherop, Burden, Huggill,
Thornton, Bower, Thearle, Armour, Ormrod and
Banister.

Minutes. The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and approved.

At this stage of the meeting Miss Lever asked the
President, Major Thornton, if he would like to take
the Chair, which he did for the rest of the meeting.

Nomination of members for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year, but were eligible for re-election for the
ensuing three years :-

Mr. G.C. Brooks	Mr. Paul Rathbone
Miss A.M. Dawson	Mr. C.W. Sharpe
Hon. Ruth Lever	Mr. John Sheridan
Mr. F.J.M. Ormrod	Mr. R.H. Thornton
Mrs. Permewan	Mr. F.X. Valarde

There were also two vacancies due to the retirement
of Miss Allen and Mr. Henery.

It was agreed that the retiring members be
re-elected en bloc, and that Mr. Bisson and Mr.
Hinchcliffe Davies be elected to fill the two
vacancies.

Nomination of Representatives of Associate Members to
serve on Executive Committee. -

It was agreed that the following members be
nominated for election :-

Mr. S. Dean	Miss P.R. Rhodes
Miss E. Kidwell	Mrs. R.H. Thornton

Nomination of Officers.

The following officers were nominated for election :-

President	Mr. R.H. Thornton
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Chairman	The Hon. Ruth Lever
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. G.W.G. Armour
Hon. Secretary	Mr. H. Banister

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts.

The Income and Expenditure Account for the year 1950 showed a very slight increase over the previous year. The Hon. Treasurer pointed out that the amount received from lettings was greatly in excess of that for 1949 and was entirely due to the letting of the old Life Room to the Festival Committee. This would not recur and there would be a big drop next year, as we should have to use the Music Room as a Dining Room and the old Life Room as a kitchen. Other items on the Balance Sheet showed very little difference, and the accounts as shown were agreed for approval at the Annual General Meeting.

Hon. Secretary's Report for the year 1950.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the membership had increased from 321 to 336, made up as follows:-

- 190 Associates
- 34 Professionals
- 20 Junior Members
- 42 Country Members

There were also 9 Honorary Members. There had been 34 Elections, two re-elections and 18 resignations. During the year the Club had suffered the loss of Dr. Olaf Stapledon, Miss L.J. Booth and Mrs. Redfern Halsall.

The various groups had been very active. Five recitals had been arranged by the Music Group. The Painters and Sculptors Group had opened their Annual Exhibition with a Goose Feast. The Dramatic Group had arranged a play reading and also other entertainments which preceded dances on Grand National Night and in December. Members of the Playhouse Company had been entertained and there had been several informal Saturday evening dances. It had not been possible to hold the Childrens' Hogmanay Party as the room was being used by the Festival Committee.

An Appeal Fund had been launched to provide new kitchen and dining room equipment, and it was hoped to raise £3000. Only £648 had been received to date, and the Hon. Secretary urged all members to contribute as generously as possible.

Auditor's Fee.

The Hon. Treasurer was empowered to incur the sum of nine guineas for audit purposes.

Annual General Meeting.

It was agreed that the Annual General Meeting be held in the Music Room on Tuesday, April 3rd. at 5.30 p.m.

Ruthven.
28 Feb 1952.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON THURSDAY, 28th. FEBRUARY 1952.

Present Miss Lever in the Chair

Mrs. Thornton, Miss Dawson, Miss Lind,
Messrs FitzBrown, Brooks, Bisson, Burden,
Bower, Witherop, Tyson Smith, Ormrod, Rathbone,
Armour and Banister.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. Sharpe
and Major Thornton.

Minutes. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and approved.

Nomination of Members for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year, but were eligible for re-election for
the ensuing three years :-

Mr. R.F. Binson	Mr. A. FitzBrown
Mr. E. D. Bower	Miss W. O. Humphreys
Prof. L. B. Budden	Mrs. T. Hugh-Jones
Mr. W. R. Burden	Miss I. Lind
Mr. H. H. Davies	Mr. J. Coburn Witherop

It was agreed that all the retiring members be
re-elected en bloc.

Nomination of Representatives of Associate Members to
serve on Executive Committee.

It was agreed that the present serving members:

Mr. S. Dean
Miss E. Kidwell
Miss P. Rhodes
Mrs. R. H. Thornton
be nominated for re-election.

Nomination of Officers.

In accordance with Rule 18(d) the Chairman retired from office after serving for three years. She, therefore, proposed that Mr. W.L. Stevenson be nominated for election as Chairman. This was seconded by Mr. Ormrod and agreed. The other Officers, as follows, were nominated for re-election en bloc :-

President	Major R.H. Thornton
Vice President	Mrs. Hamel Calder
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. G.W.G. Armour
Hon. Secretary	Mr. Harry Banister

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts.

The Income and Expenditure Account for the year 1951 showed a loss of £156 on the year's working. This was entirely due to the very much smaller income from Letting, and the Hon. Treasurer pointed out that this would be even worse next year as the Music Room was still being used as a Dining Room. The total amount received for the Appeal Fund to date was only £730, of which about £200 had already been spent. The Hon. Treasurer said that this was very disappointing and appealed for further support to this Fund.

Other items on the Balance Sheet showed very little difference, and the accounts were agreed for approval at the Annual General Meeting.

Hon. Secretary's Report for the year 1951.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the membership had decreased from 336 to 329 Members made up as follows :-

187 Associates
81 Professionals
19 Juniors
42 Country Members

and 9 Honorary Members.

There had been 22 Elections and 1 re-election, 23 Resignations and 7 Members had forfeited their right to membership under Rule 9 (non-payment of subscription).

During the year the Club had suffered the loss of four members - Mrs. Charles Booth, Miss Wilian Allen, Miss A.C. Bird and Mrs. Stewart-Bale.

The Dramatic Group had been particularly active with three play-readings and a stage show. Three members of the Group had given a Marionette show. Several dances had been held during the year. The Music Group had organised a violin and pianoforte recital.

The Painters & Sculptors Group had arranged an Exhibition in the Bluecoat Hall during the Festival of Britain entitled "Fifty Years of Merseyside Art". The had also arranged two film shows in the Music Room in conjunction with the Arts Council.

The Childrens' Hogmanay Party - in two age groups - had been held in the Bluecoat Hall for the first time since the war, and had been a great success.

The Hon. Secretary also referred to the inadequacy of of the amount given to the Appeal Fund, and asked all members to subscribe without delay.

On behalf of all members, the Hon. Secretary extended his thanks to Miss Lever for her excellent Chairmanship of the Club over the past three years.

It was agreed that the report be adopted, with the addition of a vote of thanks to the Staff for the way they were coping with the trying conditions in the temporary premises.

Auditor's Fees. The Hon. Treasurer was empowered to incur the sum of nine guineas for audit purposes.

Annual General Meeting. It was agreed that the Annual General Meeting be held in the Music Room on Wednesday April 2nd. at 5.45 p.m.

W. Stevenson
17 Feb 1953.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE
SOCIETY'S ROOMS ON TUESDAY, 17th. FEBRUARY 1953.

Present

Mr. W.L. Stevenson

in the Chair

• a quorum of members

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. R.H. Thornton
and Mr. F. Ormrod.

Minutes. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and approved.

Nomination of Members for General Council.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the following
members of the General Council retired this
year, but with the exception of Alderman G.W.G.
Armour, who did not wish his name to go forward
they were eligible for re-election :-

Mr. H.P. Huggill
Mr. J.E. Marshall
Mr. H. Tyson Smith
Mr. H. Thearle
Mr. R.H. Thornton

It was agreed that all the retiring members be
re-elected en bloc, and that Mr. J.C. Witherop
be elected in place of Alderman Armour.

Nomination of Representatives of Associate Members to
serve on Executive Committee.

It was agreed that Miss Kidwell, Miss Rhodes
and Mrs. Thornton be nominated for re-election,
and that Mr. Evan Gill be nominated in place of
Mr. Dean, who was alleged not to be eligible.

Nomination of Officers.

The President and Vice President were nominated for re-election.

Mr. Hinchcliffe Davies was nominated as Chairman
Mr. Alan Wilson as Hon. Secretary and
Mr. Paul Rathbone as Hon. Treasurer.

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts.

The Hon. Treasurer made his report in which he pointed out that, although a small profit had been made in 1952, there was little grounds for complacency, as expenses were increasing.

Hon. Secretary's Report for the year 1952.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the Membership at the end of 1952 was 332 compared with 329 at the end of 1951 : 194 Associate, 88 Professional, 10 Junior and 40 Country Members.

During the year 29 new members were elected; there were 16 resignations and 5 members forfeited their right to membership under Rule (non-payment of subscription).

The Club suffered the loss of five members- Mr.T.F. Shephard, Mr. William Armstrong, Mrs. Kipling, Mrs. G. Brocklehurst, who was a founder member of the Club and Mrs. Reute, better known to many of the members as Miss Kyrke-Smith, as she was Secretary of the Club from 1922-1933.

The Painters & Sculptor's Group, in conjunction with the Arts Council, arranged a Film Show, and also a lecture by Miss Steltman, who is the assistant Curator of the Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam on Dutch Painting of the 17th. Century. The usual Group Exhibition was shewn this year in the Art Gallery, Bluecoat Chambers.

The Music Group organised several interesting recitals and lectures namely, a recital by the

Liverpool University Singers, a lecture by Mr. Alfred Francis on the future of music in Liverpool, a recital by Miss Nancy Evans, two pianoforte recitals by Miss Lucy Scollick and a talk with musical illustrations on Liturgical and Polyphonic Music.

Members of the Dramatic Group gave a play reading of Viceroy Sarah.

An informal dance was held on Grand National Night and there was an Exhibitionist Party in November. A supper in honour of Mr. Frank Lambert C.B.E. on his retirement from the Walker Art Gallery, was held in May.

The Children's Hogmanay Party was again held in the Bluecoat Hall, about 150 children between the ages of 6 and 12 years attended, and enjoyed games, a conjurer and a film show.

War damage repairs and alterations to the Club premises were completed in August, and the Club moved back into its own rooms after 15 months absence.

Subscriptions to the Appeal Fund during the year only amounted to £110 bringing the total amount subscribed to £840. £686 has already been spent on new equipment for the kitchen, chairs for the Music Room and a complete set of the Club's own badged crockery.

Auditor's Fees

It was agreed that the Hon Treasurer should be empowered to incur the usual fee for Audit purposes.

Annual General Meeting.

It was agreed that the Annual General Meeting be held in the Music Room on Thursday March 19th. at 5-45p.m.

Minutes of a meeting of the General Council held in the
Society's Rooms on February 18th 1954.

Present Mr. Hinchcliffe Davies in the chair
^{Hon Ruth}
Miss Humphries, Miss Kidwell, Miss Lever, Mr. Bisson, Mr. Bower,
Mr. Grosvenor, Mr. Rathbone, Mr. Tyson Smith, Mr. Ward, Mr. Wilson,
and Mr. Witherop.

Minutes :- The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and approved.

Nomination of Members of the General Council

The Hon. Secretary reported that the following members
of the General Council retired this year, but were eligible
for re-election :-

Mr. C. Brooks,	Mr. Paul Rathbone
Miss A.M. Dawson,	Mr. C.W. Sharpe
The Hon. Ruth Lever	Mr. J.G. Sheridan
Mr. F.J.M. Ormrod	Mr. H.H. Thornton
Mrs Permewan	Mr.
	Mr. F.K. Verlardie

It was agreed that the retiring members be re-elected en
bloc.

Nomination of Representatives of Associate Members to Serve
on Executive Committee :-

It was agreed that Miss Kidwell, Miss Rhodes and Mr. Evan
Gill be nominated for re-election, and that Mr. Rathbone be
nominated to fill the vacancy caused by Mrs Thornton's
resignation.

Nomination of Officers

The President was nominated for re-election. Mr. Tyson Smith
was proposed by Hon. Ruth Lever for vice-president and the
proposal was seconded by ~~Mr~~ Coburn Witherop.

The proposition was carried.

Mr. Hinchcliffe Davies was nominated as Chairman
Mr. Norman Ward was nominated as ~~Treasurer~~ Hon. Treasurer
Mr. Alan Wilson was nominated as Hon. Secretary.

Hon. Treasurers Statement of Acco unts :-

The Hon. Treasurer made his report in which he indicated his profound disquiet at the state of the society's finances. A loss of £114 had been made the year and steps would have to be taken to meet this, particularly in view of the increase in rent which would have to be met in a few years time.

Hon. Secretary's Report for Year 1953 :-

At the end of 1953 there were 319 members as compared with 332 at the end of 1952. There were 185 Associates, 71 Professional, 13 Junior, 45 Country, and 6 Honorary members.

During the year 18 new members were elected, there were 25 resignations and 3 members forfeited their right to membership under Rule 9 (non-payment)

The Society suffered the loss of three members :-
Mrs A. MacLean , Miss Grundy , Mrs F. Hornby.

Activities :-

The Painters' and Sculptors' Group organised an exhibition to celebrate the Society's 50th Anniversary. This was held in the Bluecoat Hall during November. In December a film show was held in conjunction with the Arts Council.

The Music Group organised several evening concerts, including recitals by Mr. Vella's ensemble and Miss Winifred Primrose, and Mr. Peter Colt.

The Dramatic Group held readings of Fanny's First Play and The Lady's Not For Burning.

Informal Dances were held on Grand National night and New Year's Eve.

A Supper was held in honour of Mr. Tyson Smith's 70th birthday, and Sherry Parties were held on the occasion of Miss Nickel's resignation from the post of Secretary, and on the occasion of the President, Mr. R. H. Thornton moving his home to the Cotswolds.

A Dinner and Cabaret attended by 200 people was held in the Bluecoat Hall to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Society, the Guest of Honour being Professor Sir Patrick Abercromby.

The Children's Hogmanay Party was again held in the Bluecoat Hall. It was attended by 189 children aged between 5 and 14.

Auditor's Fee It was agreed that the Hon. Treasurer should be empowered to incur the usual fee for audit purposes.

Annual General Meeting I

It was agreed that the Annual General Meeting should be held in the Music room on Thursday March 25th at 8 p.m.

There being no other business the meeting then closed.

Michael James

23 March 51

Minutes of a meeting of the General Council of the Bandon
Studios Society held on Wednesday March 23rd 1955

Present

Mr. Hinchcliffe Davies

In the Chair

and a quorum of members

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting were read
and accepted as a correct record.

Nomination of Members of General Council

It was proposed by Miss Lever and seconded by Mr. Brooks
that the retiring members be re-elected en bloc. These
comprised :-

Mr. Bisson, Mr. Bower, Professor Budden, Mr. Burden,
Mr. Hinchcliffe Davies, Mr. Fitzbrown, Miss Humphries,
Mrs. T. Hugh-Jones, Miss I. Lind, and Mr. J. Coburn Witherop.

The retiring members were nominated in accordance with
the proposition.

The Honorary secretary reported that there was one
further vacancy on the General Council due to the
resignation of Mr. R. H. Thornton. Mr. Burden proposed
and Mr. Bower seconded a proposition that Mr. Ward be
nominated for this position. The proposition was
carried.

Nomination of representatives of associate members to serve
on executive committee :-

The honorary secretary reported that the present
representatives were

Mr. Evan Gill
Miss P. Sutcliffe Rhodes
Mr Rathbone

and that there was one vacancy due to the resignation of
Miss Kidwell.

It was proposed by Mr Tyson Smith and seconded by Mr
Burden that the three present representatives

be nominated again with the addition of Mrs Hubbard.
The proposition was carried.

Nomination of Officers

President Proposed by Mr. Bower and seconded by Miss Lever that Mr. Tyson Smith be nominated for this office. The proposition was carried.

Vice-President Proposed by Mr. Bower and seconded by Miss Lever that Mr. Tyson Smith be nominated for this office. The proposition was carried.

Chairman It was proposed from the chair and seconded by Mr. Bisson that Mr. Philip Evans be nominated for this office. The motion was carried.

Honorary Treasurer It was proposed by Mr. Witherop and seconded by Mr. Tyson Smith that Mr. Norman Kingham be nominated for this office. The motion was carried.

Honorary Secretary It was proposed by Mr. Bower and seconded by Mr. Grosvenor that Mr. Alan Wilson be nominated for this office. The motion was carried.

Honorary Treasurers Statement of accounts for 1954

It was proposed by Mr. Burden and seconded by Mr. Tyson Smith that the accounts as they stood should go forward to the General meeting.

Honorary Secretary's report for 1954

At the end of 1954 there were 326 members compared with 319 at the end of 1953. There were 193 Associate, 71 Professional, 16 Junior, 41 Country and 5 Honorary members. During the year 27 new members were elected and there were 20 resignations.

The Society suffered the loss of two members :-
Mrs Hamer Calder and Mrs Mills Roberts.

Activities In April the Music Group organised a concert in honour of Mr. Louis Cohen and raised the sum of £140. In May a Serenade concert was given by Mr. M. O'Donoghue and friends. Also in May, the Dramatic Group celebrated

the opening of the Theatre with a production of 'The Man Who Wouldn't Go to Heaven'. In July there was a production of 'A Phoenix Too Frequent' and 'A Workhouse Ward'. A playreading of 'The Confidential Clerk' was held in March.

The children's Hogmanay Party was again held in the Blaecoat Hall. For the first time since the war, the slide was erected and proved a very popular feature. There was also the usual Adult Hogmanay party including a Cabaret and Supper.

Auditors Fee The auditor's Fee was fixed at £9/9/-d

Agenda Miss Lever complained that the agenda for the General Council had always previously been sent in full and strongly suggested that this be done in future.

Louis Cohen Miss Lever suggested that although it lay outside the strict province of the General Council, she would like a resolution to be passed recommending the Executive Committee to make Louis Cohen an honorary member. The resolution was carried unanimously.

Minutes of a meeting of the General Council of the Sandon Studios Society held in the Society's rooms on Tuesday March 13th 1956 at 5.p.m.

Present

Mr. Philip Evans

In the Chair

APOLOGIES WERE RECEIVED FROM MR PERMANN, & MR HINCHCLIFFE DAVIES.

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting were read and it was pointed out by Miss Lever that her remarks regarding the agenda had not been minuted, and that moreover they had not been taken note of with regard to the present meeting. Miss Lever also drew attention to the omission of reference to her proposal that Mr. Louis Cohen be made an honorary member. Subject to these corrections the minutes were passed as a correct record.

Nomination of Members of General Council

The Honorary Secretary reported that the following members were due to retire, but were eligible for re-election :- Mr. Grosvenor, Mr. Huggill, Miss Kidwell, Mr. J.E. Marshall, Mr Tyson Smith and Mrs R.H. Thornton, and that there were also two vacancies.

Mr. Thearle proposed and Mr. Witherop seconded a proposition that the following five members be nominated for re-election Mr. Grosvenor, Mr. Huggill, Miss Kidwell, Mr. Marshall and Mr. Tyson Smith. The proposition was carried.

Miss Lever Proposed and Mr. Thearle seconded a proposition that Mr. Evans be nominated as a member of the General Council. The proposition was carried.

Mrs Budden was proposed by Miss Kidwell and Mr. Burden, Miss Nickells by Mrs Tyson Smith and Mr. Ward, and Mr. Stephenson by Mr. Thearle and Mr. Witherop. Miss Nickells and Mrs Budden were elected.

Nomination of Representatives of Associate Members to Serve on Executive Committee

The chairman proposed that Mrs Gordon, Miss Rhodas,

Mr. French and Mr. Rathbone. These nominees were seconded by Miss Lever, and the proposition was carried.

Nomination of Officers of the Society

President and Vice-President The chairman proposed, and Mr. Brookes seconded a proposition that The President, Mr. Tyson Smith, and the Vice-President, Mrs. Permewan, be again nominated for office. The proposition was carried.

Chairman Miss Lever proposed and Miss Kidwell seconded a proposition that Mr. Philip Evans be again nominated for office. The proposition was carried.

Honorary Treasurer Mr. Brooks proposed and Mr. Ward seconded a proposition that Mr. Norman Kingham be again nominated for this office. The proposition was carried.

Honorary Secretary Mr. Thearle proposed and Mr. Burdon seconded a proposition that Mr. Alan Wilson be again nominated for this office. Miss Lever pointed out that although there was nothing in the rules to say so, at the time when the revised rules were drawn up it had been discussed whether it would be advisable to limit the term of office of the honorary treasurer and secretary to three years as is the case with the office of chairman. Mr. Alan Wilson was nominated with ~~one~~^{two} votes against.

Honorary Treasurer's Report for 1955

It was proposed by Mr. Burden and seconded by Mr. Witherop that the accounts be passed for forwarding to the General Meeting.

Honorary Secretary's report for 1955

Total membership at the end of 1955 was 325 of which 66 were Professional Members, 191 were Associate Members, 42 were Country Members, 19 were Junior Members and 7 were Honorary Members.

During the year 21 members were elected, and there were 23 resignations. The club suffered the death of Alderman Mabel Fletcher, Mr. F. Jenkins, Miss Firth and Mr. Charles William Sharpe, both of the latter being founder members.

Mr. Sharpe was responsible for a large part of the organisation of the exhibitions held by the Society during his active years. They ranged from the Post-Impressionist Shows held before the first war, to the 'Recording Merseyside' Shows held after the second.

ACTIVITIES

The most important event of the year was the Fair and Pete held in September. This raised the sum of £275 towards the cost of redecorating and re-equipping the premises, and a raffle held on the same day by the Painters and Sculptures group raised the sum of £141 towards the cost of the exhibition which is to be held in the Spring of 1956. Of this sum the group generously donated the sum of £41 towards the general expenses of the Society.

GROUP ACTIVITIES

In December the Music Group began a series of lunch-time concerts which it is hoped will become a regular feature. In the Summer the Literary and Dramatic Group held a poetry reading, the theme being 'A Summers Day in Poetry'.

PARTIES & DANCES

A Scouse Party was held in January at which Fritz Spiehl accompanied the serving of scouse with suitable local 'wacker' music. A pancake party was held in February, and the traditional dance and cabaret was held on Grand National Night. A Christmas Party was held in December at which the club Christmas Dinner was served. In previous years this has always been held at lunch-time.

A childrens' Hogmanay party was held, and the adult Hogmanay party was held in the evening.

Mr. Rathbone drew attention to the fact that reference to the Playhouse party had been omitted.

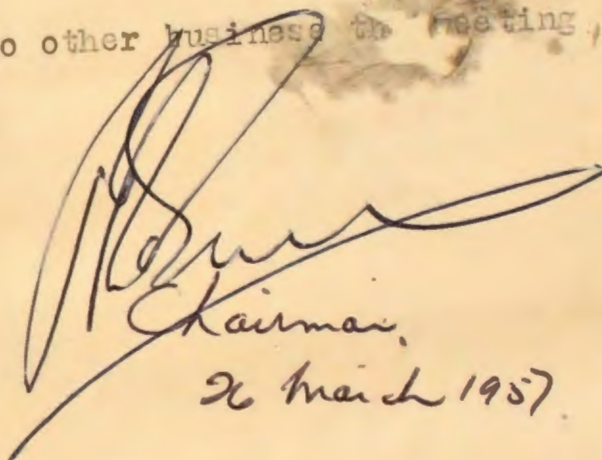
Miss Lever proposed and Mr. Rathbone seconded a proposition

that the report be adopted for presentation at the
General Meeting

Auditor's Fees In view of the fact that we were now
asking the auditor to carry out a six-monthly audit,
the chairman asked for permission to increase the fee
from £9/9/- to £12/12/-. This was put in the form of
a proposition by Miss Lever and Mr. Rathbone and the
proposition was carried.

Annual General Meeting It was agreed that this should be
held on Tuesday April 17th 1956 at 5.45 p.m.

There being no other business the meeting
then ended.


Chairman.
26 March 1957.

The following activities took place during the year. The society's Exhibition, which was held in May and was opened by Lord Kilmuir, was a considerable success, almost £200 worth of work being sold. The Society purchased two pictures.

A Fair was held in October, and £221 was raised, £106 being raised in Raffle Tickets for Artists' work.

A Film Show "Earth" was held in the Film Society's rooms;

A play reading "A Sloop of Prisoners" was kindly given by the Playgoers Society and a play reading of "Who is Sylvia?" by the Dramatic Group.

Further lunch-time concerts were held in the early part of the year. Parties were held on Grand National night (with Cabaret), Midsummer (with Poetry reading and music), Halloween (after the Fair) and Hogmanay. The usual children's party was held in the large hall of the Bluecoat Chambers. The Christmas dinner was held in the music room.

Subject to an amendment with regard to the deaths during the year of Mrs. Armour and Mr. Cohen - it was unanimously agreed that the Hon. Secretary's report be presented to the Annual General Meeting.

8. AUDITORS FEES

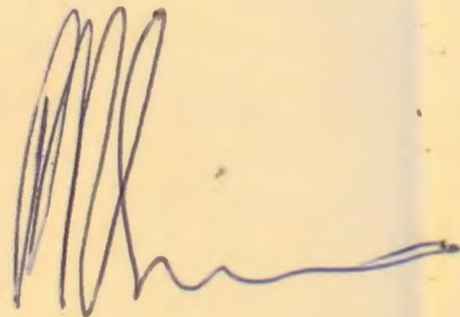
It was proposed by Mr. Witherop, seconded by Mr. Rathbone and carried unanimously that the Auditors Fee of £12.12.0d be approved.

A question with regard to future accounting was left to the Executive Committee to decide.

9. DATE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for 30th April 1957 at 5-45 P.M.

Confirmed



Chairman

24 March 1958

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE SANDON STUDIOS
SOCIETY HELD AT THE BLUECOAT CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY 26th MARCH 1957
at 5 P.M.

PRESENT Mr. P. Radcliffe Evans (In the Chair) Mr. Tyson Smith,
Mr. J. Witherop, Mr. Bisson, Mr. Thearle, Miss Dawson, Mr. P. Rathbone,
Miss Nicolls, Miss Kidwell, Mr. Grosvenor, Mr. Ormrod, Mr. H. Davies.

APOLOGIES Mr. Brooks, Mrs. Permewan, Miss W. Humphries, The Hon. Ruth Lever.

• Confirmation of the Minutes

The Minutes of the last Meeting held on Tuesday 13th March 1956
having been printed and circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

• Matters Arising

a) Hon. Membership In reply to a question by Miss Dawson as to
whether Mr. Cohen had been made an Hon. Member the Chairman informed
her that this had been done.

• Nomination of Members of the General Council

In accordance with Rule 20 (d) the following members of the Council
retired this year, and were eligible and willing to be re-elected.

Miss A. M. Dawson. Mr. G. C. Brooks. Mr. F. J. M. Ormrod, Mrs. Permewan.
The Hon. R. Lever. Mr. P. Rathbone. Mr. J. G. Sheridan. Mr. F. X. Velarde

It was proposed by Mr. Thearle, seconded by Mr. Grosvenor and carried
unanimously that they should be nominated. There being two vacancies
it was proposed by Mr. Witherop and seconded by Mr. Ormrod that
Mr. Martin Bell be nominated.

It was also proposed by Miss Kidwell seconded by Miss Nicolls that
Mrs. Paul Rathbone be nominated.

There being no further nominations the propositions were carried
unanimously.

• Nominations of Representatives of Associate Members to serve on
Executive Committee.

The Chairman informed the Council that under Rule 18 (c) and 24 (c)
owing to the resignation of Mr. Alan Wilson, Mr. Dudley French had been
elected Hon. Secretary. As a result of this there had been a vacancy
on the Executive Committee for an Associate Member and Mr. Hugh Scrutton
had been elected to fill this vacancy.

Under Rule 21 it was proposed by Mr. Ormrod, seconded by Mr. Tyson Smith
and carried unanimously that the following candidates be nominated
for election to the Executive Committee.

Miss P. Sutcliffe Rhodes. Mr. Paul Rathbone.
Mrs. Gordon, Mr. H. Scrutton.

5. NOMINATION OF OFFICERSa) President and Vice President

It was proposed from the Chair, seconded by Miss Dawson and carried unanimously that Mr. Tyson Smith and Mrs. Permewan be again nominated as President and Vice President respectively.

b) Chairman

It was proposed by Miss Kidwell, seconded by Mr. Witherop and carried unanimously that Mr. P. Radcliffe Evans be again nominated.

c) Hon. Treasurer

It was proposed from the Chair, seconded by Mr. Witherop and carried unanimously that Mr. Norman Kingham be again nominated.

d) Hon. Secretary

It was proposed from the Chair, seconded by Mr. Grosvehor and carried unanimously that the election of Mr. Dudley French under Rule 18 (c) be confirmed and that he be re-nominated.

6. ACCOUNTS FOR 1956

The Hon. Treasurer said that " Last year we were faced with a general increase in expenditure in the running of the Society. Our rent, light, fuel, wages and food were all higher than in the previous year. Unfortunately, our membership figures dropped, but, due to the increase in our subscription, the income from subscriptions shows on the Balance Sheet as a £100 increase.

There were, too, certain Donations made throughout the year which total £255. This sum has now been spent on repairs and renewals under the item of £431.7.1d. The actual expenditure was:-

Typewriter overhauled	£	8.19.	9d
Heater for Office		4.10.	0d
Radiator in Lounge		40.19.	0d
Decorating Dining Room and Kitchen		72.	0. 0d
Alteration to Kitchen		104.	7. 7d
Theatre Footlights		7.	7. 9d
Alteration to Theatre		38.	1. 10d
Safe (Building into wall)		8.12.	9d

We have also spent £100 of the £200 Donation.

Our Lets for last year show an increase of £250 over the previous year, more in fact, than we anticipated.

The sum of £142.9.1d on the left hand side of the General Account is the Total Petty Cash expenses which had, in previous years, been spread over the whole outgoings. This sum has enabled Miss Williams to buy catering stores in the most economical shops.

The Catering Account for last year shows that the receipts were almost identical with those of the previous year. However, there was over £168.0.0d saving in the cost of food even though the actual food prices had increased. This seems to be due to careful buying and resulted in our being able to transfer a larger sum to No.1 Account than last year. The actual sum transferred was £925.4.3d.

The expenditure due to wages etc. was a little greater than the previous year. The sum shown on the Catering Income and expenditure account is £1,329.14.3d.

In the Balance Sheet the sum of £200.18.6d previously referred to as a Reserve Account was transferred to the accumulated funds account.

We have closed our Account with the Liverpool Savings Bank and opened a Deposit Account with the Midland Bank. We enjoy a higher rate of interest and would have greater flexibility if over it becomes necessary to negotiate for an overdraft or use the money elsewhere. As it was, the Liverpool Savings Bank Account was in the joint names of an ex-honorary treasurer and an ex-secretary and appeared to be isolated. Now all our funds are in one bank and under the direct control of the Hon. Treasurer."

7. Hon. Secretary's Report for 1956.

The Hon. Secretary's Report which was before the Council stated:-

Having been appointed Hon. Secretary in October 1956 my report, therefore, covers a period during which I was not holding office. Mr. Alan Wilson resigned in October, and the Society owes him a debt of gratitude for almost four years as Hon. Secretary.

It is with regret that I have to report the death of Miss Chuck, Miss Picton, Mrs. Armour, Mr. L. Cohen and Professor Budden, who were all members for many years. Professor Budden's outstanding civic attainments are known to everyone, and the Society is indebted to him chiefly for the revision of the Rules, and for ensuring for all time that the objects of the Society shall be maintained. He was a member for 50 years.

During the year there were 18 new members and 29 resignations. The membership now stands at 256 - 62 professional members, 158 Associate members, 29 country members and 9 junior members.

On the resignation of Miss Robbie, Miss Williams was appointed secretary and her work is already reflected in many improvements.

*Many of the Society's rooms have been decorated, and in this connection the Artists' Group generously paid for the decoration of the Music Room.

The most generous donation of £200 was received anonymously. This was largely spent on dining-room and kitchen equipment, perhaps the most pleasurable to members will be the new supply of badged crockery which is on order.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE SANDON STUDIOS SOCIETY held at the BLUECOAT CHAMBERS on Monday 24th March 1958.

Present :- Mr.F.Radcliffe Evans (In the Chair)
Mr.Tyson Smith, Miss Kidwell, Mr.C.Brooks, Mr.Bisson, Mr.T.
Mr & Mrs.Paul Rathbone, Mr.Norman Kingham, Hon.Treasurer
Mr.J.D.French.Hon.Secretary.

Apologies from :- Mr.Ormrod, The Hon.Ruth Lever, Miss Nickels, Miss

0. Confirmation of the Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting held on the 26th March 1957 having been circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

1. Matters Arising

a) Auditors

The Chairman informed members of the change which had taken place during the year.

12. Nomination of Members of the General Council

In accordance with Rule 20 (d) the following members of Council retired this year, and were eligible for re-election
Mr.Bisson Mr.A.Fitzbrown Miss Humphreys Miss I.
Mr.H.H.Javies Mr.C.Witherop Mrs.T.H.Jones Mr.Bower.
It was proposed by Mr.Evans, seconded by Mr.Brooks and carried unanimously that they should be re-nominated.
There being two vacancies it was proposed by Miss Kidwell seconded by Mr.Tyson Smith that Judge Brown and Mrs.Ormrod be nominated to fill the vacancies provided they would serve. The proposition was carried unanimously.

13. Nomination of representatives of Associate Members to serve on the Executive Committee

Mr.Scrutton, Mr.Rathbone, and Mrs.Gordon had intimated to the Chairman that they no longer wished to serve on the Executive Committee.
It was therefore unanimously agreed to nominate

Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes Mr.Callen Mrs.Ormrod Mr. Sart

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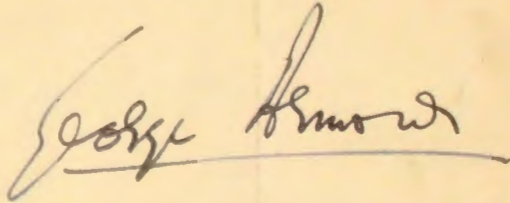
16th February 1953

Dear Miss Nickels,

General Council

I see from the Agenda of the General Council meeting that I am due to retire this year, and I am writing to inform you that I do not wish my name to be considered for re-election.

Yours sincerely,



The Secretary,
Sandon Studios Society,
School Lane,
Liverpool 1.

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Hon. Treasurer. Mr. N. Kingham
Hon. Secretary. Mr. Dudley French.

ACCOUNTS.

The Hon. Treasurer presented the accounts as circulated to the members to the deficit which, he pointed out, would be much greater next year as the Civil Service were renewing their hiring of the Music Room. Measures were proposed to obtain additional income and the matter would be considered by the Executive Committee.
The adoption of the accounts was proposed by Mr. R. French and seconded by Mr. Bisson and carried unanimously.

The Hon. Secretary's Report.

The Hon. Secretary's report was read before members and unanimously agreed that it should be presented at the Annual General Meeting.

Date of A.G.M.

This was fixed for the 21st April 1958.

J. Coburn
7th April 1958

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Hon. Treasurer. Mr. N. Kingham
Hon. Secretary. Mr. Dudley French.

ACCOUNTS.

The Hon. Treasurer presented the accounts as circulated and referred members to the deficit which, he pointed out, would be much greater next year as the Civil Service were not renewing their hiring of the Music Room. Measures were necessary to obtain additional income and the matter would have to be considered by the Executive Committee.
The adoption of the accounts was proposed by Mr. Rathbone, seconded by Mr. Bisson and carried unanimously.

The Hon. Secretary's Report.

The Hon. Secretary's report was before members and it was unanimously agreed that it should be presented as printed to the Annual General Meeting.

Date of A.G.M.

This was fixed for the 21st April 1958.

J. Coburn
7th April 1958

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL of the SANDON STUDIOS SOCIETY
held on Tuesday, 7th April, 1959 at the BLUECOAT CHAMBERS, LIVERPOOL, 1.

PRESENT Mr. J. Coburn Witherop (In the Chair) Mrs. Ormrod, Mr. Grosvenor,
Judge Harold Brown, Mr. Thearle, Mr. Rathbone, Mr. Bisson,
Mr. Evans, Mr. Norman Kingham, Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Dudley French
Hon. Secretary.

Apologies from - The Hon. Ruth Lever, Mrs. Rathbone, Miss Nickels,
Miss Kidwell, Mr. Ormrod.

1. Minutes The Minutes of the last Meeting of the Council held on the
24th March, 1958 having been circulated were taken as read
and confirmed.

2. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Nomination of Members of the General Council (Rule 20d)

The Council noted with regret the resignation of Miss Kidwell.
The following who were due to retire in rotation being eligible for
re-election were re-nominated:-

Mr. E. Grosvenor	Mr. H. Thearle	Mrs. M. Budden	Mr. P. R. Evans
Mr. H. Tyson Smith	Miss Nickels	Mr. J. E. Marshall	

The following were nominated to fill new vacancies:-

Mr. A. Weare	Miss J. Carter Preston	Mr. Norman Cullen
	Miss P. Sutcliffe Rhodes	

4. Nomination of representatives of Associate Members to serve on the
Executive Committee (Rule 21c)

The following were nominated:-

Mr. Eric Kingham	Mrs. Ormrod
Mr. N. Cullen	Miss P. Rhodes

5. Nomination of Officers (Rule 18b)

The following were nominated:-

President	Mr. H. Tyson Smith	Vice President	Mrs. Permewan
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Chairman	Mr. J. Coburn Witherop
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. Norman Kingham
Hon. Secretary	Mr. J. Dudley French

6. Accounts

The Council noted the Accounts as presented by the Hon. Treasurer who drew attention to the serious financial state of the Society. There was discussion during which Mr. Rathbone said it would be a pity if the Society collapsed through inaction. The Catering although improved was still showing a loss, and we had lost the income from a very good rental.

Judge Brown pointed out that other clubs in Liverpool were facing a similar problem.

The Council recommended to the Executive Committee that

- a) That the Society should advertise for lets.
- b) Further consideration should be given to increasing new membership.
- c) Consideration should be given to the holding of a money raising event during 1959.
- d) Further endeavour should be considered to place the catering on a paying basis.

7. The Hon. Secretary's Report and Annual General Meeting

The Hon. Secretary read his report to the Council. It was unanimously agreed that it should be presented as printed to the Annual General Meeting which it was agreed should take place on the 12th May 1959 at 6 p.m.

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J. Coburn Witherop

19 April 1960

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE SANDON
STUDIOS SOCIETY, HELD ON TUESDAY, 19TH APRIL, 1960, AT
THE BLUECOAT CHAMBERS, LIVERPOOL.

Present:- Mr. J. Coburn-Witherop (In the Chair), Mr. P. Rathbone, Mrs. Rathbone, Mr. Thearle, Mr. Grosvenor, Mr. Bisson, Mr. N. Kingham (Hon. Treasurer), Mr. J.D. French (Hon. Secretary).

Apologies:- Mr. and Mrs. Ormerod.

1. Minutes.

The Minutes of the last meeting of the Council held on 7th April, 1959, having been circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

2. Matters Arising.

(a) That the Society should advertise for lettings.

The Chairman reported that as a result of efforts that had been made, the position of the lettings was much more satisfactory and was contributing materially to the finances of the Society. Mr. Rushworth had been extremely helpful and the Society were grateful to him. We were taking over a number of of lettings from his firm.

(b) That further consideration should be given to increasing membership.

Although much more effort was needed, during the past year we had kept pace with resignations and, in fact, increased the total membership during the year by 19. This was an improvement.

(c) That Consideration should be given to the holding of a money raising event during 1959.

The Society were indebted to Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes and Mrs. Ormerod for the Coffee Morning which also contributed to the Society's finances. The event had raised £146.

(d) That further endeavour should be made to place the catering on a paying basis.

The Chairman said that a constant endeavour throughout the year had been made in this direction and the accounts would show that the situation had improved.

There was discussion on this matter. Mr. Rathbone said that the question hinged on whether the Society were really satisfied that the surplus for the year was adequate. He personally felt that prices were too low, but there was a feeling among other members that to increase catering prices still further would be a mistake.

3. Nomination of Members of General Council.

The following who were due to retire in rotation, being eligible for re-nomination were re-nominated:-

The Hon. Ruth Lever,	Mr. P. Rathbone,
Mrs. P. Rathbone,	Mr. Ormerod,
Mrs. Pernewen,	Mr. Velade.
Mr. N. Martin Bell,	

4. Nomination of Representative Associated Members to serve on the Executive Committee.

The following were nominated:-

Miss Sutcliffe-Rhodes, Mr. Cullen, Mr. E. Kingham, Mrs. Ormerod.

5. Nomination of Officers.

The following were nominated:-

President:	Mr. H. Tyson-Smith.
Vice President:	Mrs. Permewen.
Chairman:	Mr. J. Coburn Witherop.
Hon. Treasurer:	Mr. A. Linacre.

Hon. Secretary

The Council noted the resignation of the Hon. Secretary. The question of a successor was left in the hands of the Officers to nominate to the Annual General Meeting.

6. Accounts.

Draft accounts for submission to the Annual General Meeting were considered and approved for submission to the Annual General Meeting.

7. Hon. Secretary's Report and Annual General Meeting.

The Hon. Secretary presented his report and it was unanimously agreed that it should be presented as printed to the Annual General Meeting. It was agreed that the Annual General Meeting should be held on 17th May, 1960.

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the General Council of the Sandon Studios Society, held in the Bluecoat Chambers, on Wednesday, 5th October 1960, at 6 p.m.

Present: Mr. Witherop, in the Chair
A. W. Linnecar, Hon. Treasurer, N. Cullen, H. Thearle,
Miss W. O. Humphreys, Miss P. Sutcliffe Rhodes,
Mrs. Pugh Thomas, Mrs. M. Buddon, Miss I. Lind,
Mr. A. Weare, H. Tyson Smith, P. Rathbone, R. Bisson,
Judge Brown, E. H. Grosvenor.

The Chairman referred to the proposed increase in the rent for the premises occupied by the Society and read the letters exchanged with the Bluecoat Society of Arts, as follows:-

The Secretary,
Sandon Studios Society.

5th September, 1960.

Dear Sir,

The Committee have recently discussed the rents of all tenants of the building in the light of present day costs, and, having received expert opinion, were forced to the conclusion that these must be increased.

In the case of Societies it has been decided that the proper basis will be a rate of approximately £2.5.0. per square yard. This is still far below the proper economic and commercial rent but nevertheless is felt to be fair and reasonable, having regard to the terms of the Society's Deed of Constitution.

As from 4th April next (when your current lease expires) you will be offered a new 3 year Agreement at a rent of £850 per annum.

Although this rent is in line with what other Societies will be charged in the building, it is realised that, due to the large floor area occupied by you, the increase is substantial. It is possible that you would like to discuss the matter with me and it is both for this reason and because I have no doubt you will wish to consider increases in charges to your own members in order to deal with the matter that I am giving you this comparatively long notice.

Yours faithfully,

F. M. Herzog

Chairman

F. M. Herzog Esq.,
Chairman,
Bluecoat Society of Arts,
Bluecoat Chambers,
Liverpool 1.

6th September, 1960.

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your letter of the 5th instant, and note contents.

After I have discussed the matter with the other Officers of this Society I will write to you again in the very near future.

Yours faithfully,

for R. F. Atkins,

Hon. Secretary.

F. M. Herzog Esq.,
Chairman,
Bluecoat Society of Arts,
Bluecoat Chambers,
School Lane,
Liverpool 1.

9th September, 1960.

Dear Sir,

Further to your letter of the 5th inst., and my reply thereto on the 6th September 1960, I have had an opportunity of discussing this matter with the Officers of this Society and we feel that before any decision can be arrived at in this matter we would welcome an opportunity of discussing the position with you and the other non-commercial tenants of the Bluecoat Chambers. We suggest that a meeting be arranged sometime during the days 19th to 23rd of this month in the evening.

I await hearing from you as soon as possible, letting me know whether you are agreeable to this course.

Yours faithfully,

Hon. Secretary,

Honorary Secretary,
Sandon Studios Society,
Bluecoat Chambers,
Liverpool.

13th September, 1960.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter of 9th September. I'm afraid I am not prepared to have a meeting with you in conjunction with any other tenants of the Bluecoat Chambers. My suggestion for a discussion was with your Society only, simply because firstly the proportionate increase in rent is a large one due to the floor space occupied and secondly because of your Society's long and special association with this building.

I suggest that representatives of your committee should meet me and any other members of this Society's committee whom I may invite at this office and I leave it to you to suggest a time and date. 1.30 p.m. would be most convenient time so far as I am concerned.

Yours faithfully,

F. M. Herzog,

Chairman.

F. M. Herzog Esq.,
Chairman,
Bluecoat Society of Arts,
Bluecoat Chambers,
Liverpool 1.

19th September, 1960.

Dear Sir,

Re Rent Increases

I thank you for your letter of September 13th. I am sorry to learn you are not prepared to co-operate with the non-commercial tenants of the Bluecoat Chambers in discussing this very serious matter.

I do not wish to waste time in correspondence, and will indeed suggest a time and place after my Executive Committee has met tomorrow evening, but in the meantime I wish to register a formal protest at the proposed rent increase and to request that a copy of the Constitution of your Society be forwarded to me.

If you insist on such a rent increase there is a very real danger that the Sandon Studios Society will cease to exist.

I trust that you and the other members of your Committee will reflect on this dismal prospect before your meeting. Yours faithfully,
for F.R. Atkins, Hon. Secretary.

Dear Sir,

The Chairman has asked me to reply to your letter of the 19th September. This, together with your other letters, was read to the Committee at their last meeting on the 20th September, and it was suggested that the proposed meeting with you should be held over until towards the end of next month.

I will get in touch with you about this in due course. It is not possible for me to send you a copy of the Deed of Constitution, but no doubt you will be able to see this at the meeting.

Yours faithfully,

J. Van Mullem,

Honorary Secretary.

To Bluecoat Society Arts.

24th September, 1960.

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your letter of September 23rd and I agree with your proposal.

I await hearing from you with a suggested date.

Yours faithfully,

R. F. Atkins.

A general discussion followed and it was thought that much more should be known regarding the reasons which had prompted the Bluecoat Society of Arts to propose such a large increase.

It was resolved that a sub-committee should be formed to meet the Bluecoat Society of Arts to discuss the proposed increase, to consist of

The Officers of the Executive Committee
Mr. Cullen
Mr. Bisson

and that Mr. Evans might be approached as to whether he would be able to join such Sub-Committee.

It was further resolved that

Mr. Norman Kingham and
Mr. Dudley French

be and are hereby co-opted to be members of the General Council.

The Sub-Committee was to meet on 13th October, 1960.

John Hetherington
15th May 61

Minutes of the Sandon Studios Society
General Council Meeting held on Tuesday,
16th May, 1961, at the Bluecoat Chambers.

Present:- Mr. J. Coburn-Witherop.
Mr. Linnacre.
Mr. Grosvenor.
Mr. Evans.
Mr. French.
Mr. Ormerod.
Mr. Tyson-Smith.
Mr. Weare.
Mr. Bisson.
Mrs. J. Ormerod.
Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes.
Miss E. B. Hewett.
Mrs. J. Pugh-Thomas.
Miss W. Humphreys.

Apologies:- Mr. Norman Cullen.
Mr. Norman Kingham.
Mr. Harold Brown.
Miss Nickels.
Hon. Ruth Lever.

4. The following members have been re-elected:-

Mr. E. L. Bower, Miss W. Humphreys,
Miss I. Lind, Mrs. J. Ormerod,
Mr. A. Fitzbrown, Hon. Judge H. Brown,
Mr. J. C. Witherop.

Proposed:-

Miss Peggy Woods - Mrs. Ormerod.
Mr. Grosvenor.

Mr. J. O'Donahue - Mrs. Ormerod.
Mr. Weare.

Mr. M. O'Donoghue - Mr. French.
Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes.

5. The present Associate representatives should be asked to serve on the Executive Committee for a further term of office.
6. Chairman elect.
Mr. N. Cullen.
Hon-Secretary.
David Dutch - proposed by P. Evans.
Treasurer to continue.
President - Mr. Tyson-Smith.
Vice-President - Mrs. Permewan.
7. Finance report - accepted to go forward to the Annual General Meeting.
8. The Annual General Meeting - 15th June.

J. E. Cullen
29th July 62.

S A N D O N S T U D I O S S O C I E T Y

Minutes of General Council

29th May 1962

Present were Mr. French, Mr. Grosvenor, Mr. Ormorod, Mr. Tyson Smith, Mr. Thearle, Mr. Bisson, Mr. Dutch, Miss Humphries, Mrs. Ormorod, Mrs. Pugh Thomas, Mr. Coburn Witherop took the chair.

Apologies received from Mr. Marshall, Mr. Evans, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Linnecar, Mr. Weare, Miss Nickels, The Hon. Ruth Lever.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

There was no business arising.

Nomination of Members of General Council Being eligible for re-election, the following were nominated to stand:

Mr. Bisson, Mr. Grosvenor, Mr. Weare, Mrs. Pugh Thomas, Mr. Cullen, Miss P. Sutcliffe Rhodes, Mr. Tyson Smith, Mr. Thearle, Mrs. Budden, Mr. Evans.

Miss Nickel and Mr. Marshall had withdrawn their names, and Miss Humphries offered her resignation, as a result the following names were proposed:

Mr. McCunn	Proposed Mr. Bisson
	Seconded Mr. Tyson Smith
Mr. Graley	Proposed Mr. Tyson Smith
	Seconded Mr. Dutch
Mrs. Wilson	Proposed Mr. Grosvenor
	Seconded Mr. Bisson.

Nomination of Associate Representatives. It was proposed the same four representatives be nominated, viz. Miss P. Sutcliffe Rhodes, Mrs. J. Ormorod, Mr. Dudley French, Mr. G. Graley.

Nomination of Officers President Mr. Tyson Smith, Vice President Mr. Permewen, Chairman Mr. N. Cullen. Hon. Secretary David Dutch were all re-elected for a further term of office.

Hon. Treasurer. A letter had been received from Mr. Linnecar tendering his resignation, which was accepted with regret. Mr. Lipkin was suggested but Council felt it unwise to nominate a Student Member as Hon. Treasurer. Council thought they were unable to nominate without first consulting with suggested nominees and authorised the Executive Committee to nominate at their next meeting.

Date for A.G.M. Subject to Accounts being available, the date was fixed for Thursday 28th June.

Any other business The following changes in the rules made necessary by the new Licensing Act were approved for putting to the A.G.M.

Rule 16The members of General Council, the Officers of the Society and the Wine Committee shall be elected.....

Rule 19.....The Wine Committee shall, for the purpose of these rules, be considered as such a Sub-committee.....

Rule 19 A.....The members of the Wine Committee, which shall be five in number, shall be nominated by the Executive Committee, and the nominations shall be posted on the Society's Notice Board for at least seven days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

The following change, to clarify Rule 7 was adopted.

Rule 7 (g) This rule to be superceded by the following:

Where more than one member of the same family are members of the Society, then one member shall pay the appropriate subscription as shown above, but subsequent members shall have their appropriate subscription abated by one guinea. This reduction shall only apply to Senior Members of groups (a) and (b) of Rule 3.

W. J. Cullen

These changes superceded by further changes

Auditors

Auditors The Hon. Secretary outlined the difficulty we had experienced in getting our accounts through in time, and after some discussion, it was agreed that a change should be made. Mr. Dutch mentioned a tentative approach to Messrs. Chalmers Wade who he thought would be willing to undertake it if approached. Mr. Thearle thought that it would be unwise for there to be any connection whatever between the Society's Treasurer and our Auditors. This was agreed. Members were asked to enquire around to see whether a suitable Auditor could be found.

The meeting was closed.

Meeting of GENERAL COUNCIL 18th April 1963

Present were Mr. Thearle, Mr. Coburn Witherop, Mr. Graley, Mr. French, Mr. Grosvenor, Mr. Tyson Smith, Mr. Bisson, Mr. Weare, Mr. Dutch, Mr. Cullen.

Apologies from The Hon. Ruth Lever, Mollie Wilson, Mr. P. Radcliffe Evans.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed as an accurate record. There were no matters arising.

Plurality of names
Nomination for General Council. The following were re-nominated: Mrs. P. Rathbone, Mrs. Permewen, Mr F. J. M. Ormrod, Mr. Martin Bell, Mr. P. Rathbone, Mr. Norman Kingham, Mr. J. D. French. The Hon. Ruth Lever had requested not to stand again and in her place Mr. Frank Jones was nominated.

Nomination of Associate Representatives. The following were nominated: Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes, Mrs. Ormrod, Mr. French and Mr. Graley.

Nomination of Officers. The present officers indicated their willingness to stand again and were accordingly nominated:

Chairman: Norman Cullen. Hon. Secretary: David Dutch. Hon Treasurer: Alfred Weare. President: Herbert Tyson Smith.

Nomination of Wine Committee. The following nominations were made: Reg. Dickinson, George Hall, Liz Ferriday, Carl Hawkins, Roy Gow, Bill Curtin.

The Hon. Secretary outlined his report and one or two additional items were suggested by members.

The Treasurer gave details of draft accounts. It was pleasing to note that a profit had been made this year, and that most of it had come from the Bar Account.

Any other business. The possibility of reducing the joint subscription for husband and wife was briefly touched upon. It was decided to defer the matter for future discussion.

The meeting was closed.

N. Cullen

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GENERAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th March 1964

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Present were Mrs Ormrod, Mrs Pugh Thomas, Mrs Mollie Wilson, Miss Pat Rhodes, Mr. Tyson Smith, Mr. Weare, Mr. Graley, Mr. French, Mr. Philip Evans, Mr. Bisson, Mr. Grosvenor, Mr. O'Donoghue, Mr. O'Donahue, Mr. Dutch and Mr. Cullen (in the Chair). Apologies were received from Mr. Ormrod, Judge Brown and Mr. Witherop. *Miss Lind*

Nomination of General Council.

The following retiring members were re-nominated en block by Mr. Evans seconded by Mrs Wilson:-

Mr. E. L. Bower	Miss P. Wood
Mr. J. O'Donahue	Mr. M. O'Donoghue
Miss Lind	
Mr. Witherop	
Mrs. Ormrod	

Judge Brown had requested not to be considered and Mr. Fitz Brown had not been re-nominated in view of his permanent residence in the South of England. ~~and~~ To fill the two vacancies, the following were nominated:-

Thomas Wess	David Dutch
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Nomination of Associate Representatives.

The retiring members were re-nominated for a further term of office:-

Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes, Mrs. Ormrod, Mr. J. D. French, Mr. G. Graley.

Nomination of Officers

The President confirmed his willingness to stand again and Mr. Tyson Smith was proposed by David Dutch and seconded by Mr. O'Donoghue.

Mr. Bisson was proposed for Vice-President by Mr. Cullen, seconded by Philip Evans.

The Chairman indicated that he was now required to retire under the rules and had pleasure in nominating Mr. Colin Wilson as his successor.

The Hon. Secretary had circularised his intention of resigning and in turn nominated Mr. Peter Urquhart as his successor.

The Hon. Treasurer (Mr. Weare) indicated his willingness to stand for re-election and was accordingly proposed by Mr. O'Donoghue and seconded by Mr. Graley.

Nomination of Wine Committee.

It was thought by the retiring Chairman of the Wine Committee that all members were available for re-election and they were accordingly nominated en block by Mr. Bisson, seconded by Mr. O'Donahue:-

Mr. Gow, Mr. Dickinson, Mr. Hall, Mr. Curtan, Mr. Hawkins, Mrs. Ferriday (Hon. Secretary)

The Hon. Secretary's Report was then read and subject to one or two amendments, was adopted.

Accounts. The Hon Treasurer apologised ~~profusely~~ to the meeting but said that the Accountants had failed to keep their promise and there were no accounts available. The Council were highly critical of this situation. It was apparently somewhat difficult to lay the blame squarely on anyone's shoulders and various suggestions were made so as to ensure that such a situation did not arise again. In particular the meeting felt that the Accountants must be made to ^{do} work on the premises. The Council also decided that it would be failing in its duty to the Society if it ~~failed~~ did not ~~to~~ examine the financial ~~situation~~ situation before publishing the figures and calling the Annual General Meeting. Accordingly the meeting was adjourned and the Hon. Secretary instructed to convene a further meeting as soon as the Accounts were available.

MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED MEETING
held on 2nd April 1964

Present were Mrs Pugh Thomas, Mrs. Colin Wilson, Mr. Lipkin, Mr. Tyson Smith, Mr. Bisson, Mr. Grosvenor, Mr. Graley, Mr. Thearle, Mr. Weare and Mr. Cullen.

Apologies received from Mr. & Mrs Rathbone, Mr. J. O'Donahue, Mr. & Mrs Ormrod, Mr. Dutch. ~~Mr. KINGHAM.~~

Copies of the Accounts were circulated and considered. The Hon. Treasurer gave explanations of a number of items in the Accounts and undertook to make further enquiries in time for the AGM on other items. In particular he disclosed that the credit of £309 appearing in the 1962 Bar Account was incorrect. A number of bills attributable to 1962 had not been debited to the Account for that year and as a result the credit was overstated by £261.3.5. This last amount had been taken into account in the 1963 profit figure of £255.5.6d. Members ^{were} expressed on being informed that the Auditors did not audit but merely prepared draft accounts from the Society's books. Even without an audit, it was pointed out that a bar profit of 41% in 1962 was excessive and should have been the subject of comment by the Auditors.

The Chairman suggested that in future an audit should be done, say every third year. The Club's turnover exceeded £10,000 per annum and it was not fair to members to dispense altogether with an audit. Indeed it was thought, one view, that the Rules required an annual audit.

The Meeting then fixed the date of the Annual General Meeting for 7th May after which the meeting closed.

Alan [Signature]

GENERAL COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on Monday May 3rd. 1936

Present. Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes, Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Grosvenor, Mr. O'Donoghue, Mr. Weare, Mr. G. Graley, Mr. Bisson, Mr. O'Donoghue, Mr. Lipkin, Mr. Ureuhart and Mr. Wilson who took the chair. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Apologies had been received from Mr. & Mrs. Rathbone, Mr. French and Mr. Thearle.

The Hon. Secretary's report was read and a number of small amendments were made. The secretary was asked to include a suggestion that more members should use the Society's premises since so many activities were now taking place.

The Hon. Treasurer's report was read and the treasurer then summarised the financial position. The main points were an increase in wages and a loss of rents. Despite these the Society had only made a small loss. The report was accepted.

Nomination of General Council

The following retiring members were re-nominated by Mr. O'Donoghue seconded by Mr. Lipkin :-

Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes	Mr. Tyson Smith
Mrs. Pugh Thomas	Mr. Thearle
Mrs. Wilson	Mrs. Budden
Mr. Bisson	Mr. Evans
Mr. Grosvenor	Mr. McCunn
Mr. Weare	Mr. G. Graley
Mr. Cullen	

Nomination of Associate members to the Executive Committee
Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes, Mrs. Ormrod, Mr. French and Mr. G. Graley were re-nominated as representatives.

Nomination of Officers

All the existing officers said that they were willing to stand and were re-nominated.

President	Mr. Tyson Smith	Vice-president	Mr. Bisson
Chairman	Mr. Wilson	Hon. Secretary	Mr. Ureuhart
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. Lipkin		

The re-nomination was proposed by Mr. Graley and seconded by Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes

Nomination of Wine Committee

All the existing members of the committee were willing to be re-nominated with the exception of Mr. Dickinson who had moved. The following were therefore proposed by Mr. Graley and seconded by Mr. Weare,

Mrs. Naylor, Mr. Hall, Mr. Gow, Mr. Curtin and Mr. Hawkins. There being no further business the meeting fixed the date of the Annual General Meeting as May 31st.

Curtin

Minutes of a Meeting of the General
Council of the Society held on Monday
6th June, 1966

Present: Mr. Kingham
Mr. French
Mr. Thearle
Mr. Bisson
Mrs. Wilson
Mr. Weare
Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes
Mr. Grosvenor
Mr. O'Donahue
Mr. Dutch
Mr. O'Donoghue
Mr. Tyson Smith
Mr. Wilson
Mr. Lipkin
Mr. Urquhart

Apologies had been received from Mrs. Ormrod and Mr. Wess.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Hon. Secretary's Report

The Hon. Secretary's report was read and agreed as it stood. It was agreed that a label should be affixed to the Annual Report advertising Mr. Bisson's History of the Society and there was a general discussion regarding the publicity which would have to be given to the book to avoid a heavy loss.

Hon. Treasurer's Report

The Hon. Treasurer then produced the accounts which showed an increase in the deficiency from £7 to £132. Mr. Lipkin said that the sources of this deficiency were:

1. An increase of £170 in the catering loss and
2. A decrease in the surplus in the general account

On the other hand, there was a considerable increase in the bar profits. An increase in subscriptions was discussed and it was decided that the Executive Committee should consider such an increase as soon as possible. It was proposed by Mrs. Wilson and seconded by Mr. Kingham that the accounts should be accepted.

Nomination of Members of General Council

The following retiring members of the general council were re-nominated:

Mr. N. D. French
Mr. M. Martin Bell
Mrs. P. Rathbone
Mr. N. Kingham
Mr. P. Rathbone

Nomination of representatives of Associate Members on Executive Committee

It was proposed by Mr. Thearle and seconded by Mr. Dutch that Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes and Mr. G. Graley should be re-nominated as representatives of the associated members of the Executive Committee. Mr. French and Mrs. Ormrod did not wish to be re-nominated and Mr. Dutch and Mr. Noble were nominated to take their places.

Nomination of Officers

All the existing officers were agreeable to stand for election again with the exception of Mr. Lipkin and it was proposed by Mr. Kingham and seconded by Mr. Thearle that they should be re-nominated.

President	Mr. Tyson Smith
Vice President	Mr. Bisson
Chairman	Mr. Wilson
Hon. Secretary	Mr. Urquhart
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. Lipkin

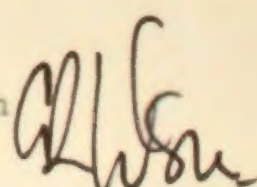
Mr. M. J. Bateson was nominated to succeed Mr. Lipkin as Hon. Treasurer.

Nomination of Members of Wine Committee

It was proposed by Mr. Kingham and seconded by Mr. Dutch that the following should be nominated members of the Wine Committee:

Mr. Gow
Mr. Hall
Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Lipkin
Mrs. Naylor

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for 4th July, 1966.



SANDON STUDIOS SOCIETY

Minutes of a Meeting of the General Council of the Society
held on Tuesday, 15th May, 1967

Present:

Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes
Mr. French
Mr. Dutch
Mr. Wess
Mr. Bisson
Mr. Kingham
Mr. Bateson
Mr. Urquhart
Mr. Wilson in the chair

Apologies were received from Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Graley.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Matters arising from the Minutes

Mr. Lipkin had reported at an Executive Meeting that the deficiency of £132 contained in his report to the Council was wrong and was later reduced to £92 which was the figure which appeared in the Accounts.

Hon. Secretary's Report

The Hon. Secretary's Report was read and two minor amendments were made. Mr. Kingham proposed the acceptance of the Report and Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes seconded the motion.

Hon. Treasurer's Report

The Hon. Treasurer produced the Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1966. He stated that the profit on the Bar Account had been reduced from £474 in 1965 to £378 in 1966. The deficiency on the Catering Account had risen from £687 in 1965 to £816 in 1966. The General Account showed a deficiency of £315 for 1966 as against a surplus for 1965 of £123. These figures produced an overall deficiency for 1966 of £753 as against the deficiency for 1965 of £92. The group Accounts had been able to transfer £34 15s. 11d. to the Balance Sheet. The majority of this coming from the drama group. Mr. Bateson discussed the reasons for the deficiency on the General Account which were the fact that the increase in subscriptions had not then been made and there had been a considerable increase in rates and wages. With regard to the Catering Account, the receipts were marginally higher, whereas the

Nomination of Members of Wine Committee

The following members were nominated:

Mrs. Naylor
Mr. Hall
Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Lipkin
Mr. Meadows

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for
Tuesday, 13th June.

Any other Business

Mr. J. D. French expressed the gratitude of the Council
for the considerable work done by Mr. Wilson during the three
years of his chairmanship.

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W. G. Cow
Chairman

SANDON STUDIOS SOCIETY

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the General Council held on 29th April 1968.

Present:

A. Weare	P. Rathbone
N. Kingham	P. R. Evans
G. Wheeler	M. J. Bateson
T. Wess	N. Cullen
H. Thearle	R. F. Bisson
E. Grosvenor	Miss P. S. Rhodes
J. D. French	J. O'Donahue
Mrs. J. P. Thomas	D. Dutch
J. C. Witherop	N. M. Bell
C. Wilson	H. Franklin, Honorary Treasurer
Mrs. M. Wilson	A. G. Swerdlow, Honorary Treasurer.
G. A. Hall	J. Roy Gow in the chair.
P. Urquhart	

Mr. Gow opened the meeting by explaining that the Executive, towards the end of 1967, had become concerned by the financial state of the Society and had issued a request for interest-free loans. The response had been poor. The Treasurer's last report to the Executive gave no alternative but to call an Extraordinary General Meeting to put the situation to the members. The council had been called to render advice and to decide, if necessary, what might be done at the meeting.

Mr. Franklin presented draft accounts for 1967 together with a summary of results from 1960 - 1967. These showed that the Society was clearly insolvent and the total accounts to the 24th April 1968 which indicated that the Society was continuing to run at a deficit, although for the period to 24th April it was at a very much lower level than in the previous year. At 24th April, creditors amounted to over £1,300, while cash in hand and at the bank amounted to a little over £250.

He pointed out that the reconstitution of the Sandon could only be discussed if £2,500. could be raised.

Even if the catering and bar accounts were to break even, the current level of overheads and the present level of membership would give a deficit of £700. The membership is clearly too low for the present level of costs.

Expenses must tend to increase; with one exception, the staff had received no salary increases for three years. Even if we find the necessary £2,500., we would be obliged to break-even or make a profit to prevent a recurrence.

The legal situation would appear to be that if creditors were to sue for their debts, writs would be taken out in the names of the Society's Officers in the first instance. The Officers would then look to the Members for reimbursement.

It was pointed out that the grant for the piano from the Thew bequest might have to be refunded if the Society were wound up.

Mr. Cullen suggested a £50. life membership might be offered to raise funds; this would need to be subject to certain agreements.

Mr. O'Donahue thought that there was a danger in the possibility of the Society being rushed into a decision. Mr. Weare said that there must be an assurance that the Sandon would carry on in a viable way, and asked whether an interim measure could be found to arrest the situation.

Mr. Gow said that if the money were found, we would have to look at the Society and decide in which direction it must progress. Mr. Bisson mentioned that it had been suggested certain rooms might be vacated; this should only be investigated very carefully as the accounts showed £550. received in rents from sub-letting premises when not used by the Society itself.

There was disagreement on whether the subscription was at too high a level, but the main problem was the actual number of members. Mr. Kingham said that in the past we had tried to ascertain the numbers needed to balance the books at the subscription level then in operation.

Mr. Evans thought that the Sandon had lost its sense of purpose and we must remember that the reason we are in the Bluecoat Chambers is not to perform a dining club function exclusively.

Mr. Dutch said that a blueprint for the future must be made to put the Society in order. A working party should be set up to plan a future policy acceptable to members. He considered that to close the catering side of the Sandon would amount to closing the Society. Mr. Wilson said that the dining room was not only a central point of the Sandon, but also played a vital part in the artistic life of the city.

Mr. Bateson said that the sum of £2,500. must be raised substantially at the Extraordinary General Meeting. This must not be considered as a loan.

Mr. O'Donahue proposed, and Mr. Wess seconded that those present at the council meeting be asked to write down the amount they would be prepared to give. This was accepted, and the total of £812. 10. 0. was promised.

Mr. Evans suggested that the same proposal be put to the general meeting on Wednesday and that those who had made interest free loans at the end of the previous year be asked to convert them into gifts.

It was agreed that Mr. Cullen, Mr. French and Mr. Urquhart should act as Trustees of a fund into which donations should be banked. If £2,500. had not been raised within two weeks there would be no alternative but to wind up the Society and to refund the donations.

Mr. Dutch, Mrs. Wilson and the secretary and chairman were to draft a proposal for a working party to plan the reorganisation of the Society. This proposal would be put to the Extraordinary General Meeting to be actioned upon subject to the moneys being donated as in the previous proposal.

The meeting closed with a proposal from Mr. Cullen of a vote of thanks to the Treasurer for the extensive work he had done in preparing the accounts and presenting them so clearly to the meeting.

31/10/68

Ray Gow
Chairman

Sandon Studio Society Minutes of Council Meeting Wednesday 1st May 1968.

Present

Mr French, Mr Rathbone, Mr Weare, Mr & Mrs Colin Wilson, Mr Kingham
Mr Thearle, Mr Bisson, Mr Witherop, Mr O'Donohue, Mr Dutch, Mr Wheeler,
Mr Grosvenor, Mr Wess, Mrs Thomas, Mr Cullen Mr Grailey, Mr Hall
Mr Swerdlow, Mr Franklin Mr Gow in the chair

It was agreed that the working party to be set up as proposal 2 of the
Extraordinary General Meeting on the 1st May 1968 comprising
the Chairman and five other officers together with the honorary Secretary
and honorary Treasurer as ex-officio.

The followings names were proposed and accepted, Mr Colin Wilson,
Mr Dutch, Miss Sue Shepherd, Mr Clayton, Mr Walker, Mr Strafford Donning

It was agreed to approach all the above and the committee would have power
to coopt.

They would report to Council with an outline proposal within four weeks
from the present date. They would also give a report of progress made
to the adjourned General Meeting.

Mr Grailey recommended that members be urged to treat the present situation with
reserve and tact particularly in discussions within the club premises.

The Secretary was to write to the general membership to report on the
meeting.

31/05/68

Mr Gow
Chairman

SANDON STUDIOS SOCIETY: GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING 3 OCTOBER 1968

PRESENT Miss Sutcliffe Rhodes, Mrs Wilson, Mrs Rathbone, Mrs Pugh Thomas
Messrs. Tyson Smith, Bisson, Evans, Thearle, Witherop, Wess,
Urquhard, Wilson, Hall, Weare, French, J O'Donohue, Rathbone, Franklin
Swerdlow, Gow in the chair.

APOLOGIES Messrs. Wheeler, Cullen, Graley.

The Minutes of the Council Meetings on 15th May 1967, 29 April and 1 May 1968 were read and approved. Proposed by Mr Bisson, seconded by Mr O'Donohue, Mr Weare and Mr Urquhart, Mr Urquhard and Mr Wess.

The Secretary's report was read and, as amended, was accepted. Proposed Mr Evans seconded Mr Weare

The Treasurer's report and accounts were basically as drafted for the Extraordinary General Meeting on 29th May. Mr Franklin anticipated a much better figure for the end of 1968 depending on continued increase in membership and activity. It was agreed that with the proposed greater importance of the House Committee monthly catering and bar figures were most essential. It was explained that in part the bar losses were due to the use of an obsolete price list for some time.

The Treasurer's report was accepted. Proposed by Mr Evans, seconded Mr Bisson.

Nomination of members of General Council with the exception of Mrs Ormrod, who had resigned from the Society, all the retiring Council members were re-elected.

The Working Party report was introduced and explained by Mr Colin Wilson. The report was accepted. Proposed Mr Bisson, seconded Mrs Wilson.

Amendments to Rules were detailed by Mr Urquhard and accepted. Proposed Mr Bisson seconded Mr Rathbone.

Due to the acceptance by the Council of the proposed new rules, the nominations set out below were planned to meet the anticipated new rules at the Society.

Representatives of Associate Members of Executive Committee
Miss P Sutcliffe Rhodes and Mr J.R.D. Jones were nominated.

Nomination of officers for 1968/69

The following were nominated.

President Mr Herbert Tyson Smith

Vice President Mr R.F. Bisson

Chairman Mr J. Roy Gow

Hon. Secretary Mr Alan G Swerdlow

Hon. Treasurer Mr Howard Franklin.

These nominations were proposed by Mr O'Donohue and seconded by Mr Evans.

House Committee

The following were nominated

Mr Hall, Mr Clayton, Mr Hawkins, Miss Rhodes, Mrs Naylor Miss Sloane.

Publicity Officer

It was proposed that Miss Jean Grant be asked to undertake this office.

Activities Committee

The following were nominated.

Mr Brian Calvert, Miss Sue Shepherd Mr Richard Noble.

It was agreed that group chairmen and secretaries between them would provide their own Executive representatives.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the officers proposed by Mr J.D. French.

1/12/69

Bob Gow
Chairman

Presented to General Council 3.10.68

Accepted + approved

3-10-68

Roy Gow

Chairman

31.10.68

SANDON STUDIOS SOCIETY

REPORT OF WORKING PARTY

The Working Party was set up by the Society at an Extraordinary General Meeting held on May 1st, 1968.

Its members were Miss Susan Shepherd, Mr David Dutch, Mr Robin Clayton, Mr Graham Walker, Mr Colin Wilson and the officers of the Society, Mr Roy Gow, Mr Alan Swerdlow and Mr Howard Franklin. Mr James O'Donahue and Peter Urquhart were co-opted on to the committee.

The committee's terms of reference were to make recommendations as to how the Society was to improve its financial position and increase its activity and memberships.

HISTORY. For some time the finances of the Society have not been very stable and the increase in subscriptions did not bring in the expected revenue due to resignations and the striking off of a substantial number of members for failure to pay subscriptions. In addition, the anticipated rate rebate did not materialise and the Bluecoat Society of Arts were forced to increase the rent of the Society's premises. It should be noted that the Bluecoat Society of Arts on hearing of the Society's difficulties immediately offered to delay the proposed further rent increases, which offer was most gratefully accepted. Further financial difficulty was caused by the continued and increasing loss on the catering and a considerable reduction in profits from the bar. At the beginning of 1968 the Officers realised that the Society would not be in a position to pay its debts by the end of the year and a meeting of the Council was called followed by two extraordinary General Meetings of the Society. An appeal for funds was made at the first extraordinary General Meeting and by the date of the second Meeting it was more or less clear that sufficient funds could be raised to prevent the immediate winding up of the Society.

Apart from the financial difficulties, it was clear that despite the large number of members in the Society and a steady stream of new members, interest in and support of the Society's activities were declining after the great activity during the 60th anniversary celebrations.

The Working Party met very shortly after the extraordinary General Meeting setting it up and continued to meet at weekly or fortnightly intervals thereafter. Various recommendations, principally dealing with catering, needed immediate implementation and the executive committee of the Society made a number of decisions which will be dealt with under the appropriate headings.

A large number of members made constructive suggestions to the Working Party and we would like to express our thanks to these members, all of whose suggestions were most carefully considered.

THE CONSTITUTION. Radical changes were suggested but after considerable discussion it was finally decided to recommend that the framework of the constitution be retained since it was agreed that it was sufficiently flexible to allow the Society to change and develop without losing its character. But a number of alterations should be made.

- 1 The executive committee should in future deal with the co-ordination of the Society's activities but the day to day running of the Society should be placed in the hands of the old house committee and wine committee and a new activities committee.
- 2 The executive committee should maintain financial control of the Society and deal with the election of new members.
- 3 The representation of groups on the executive committee should be halved but the residual influence of the painters and sculptors group should be maintained. The Chairman of the house/wine committee and the activities committee will be ex officio members of the executive committee.
- 4 The house/wine committee should consist of seven elected members including a Chairman who should himself be elected by the Annual General Meeting. This committee should deal with the general running of the Society's catering and bar and should have authority over all the staff subject to the ultimate financial control of the executive committee.
- 5 The activities committee should consist of three elected members including an elected chairman plus the Society's Publicity Officer who should himself be elected. This committee would organise all the Club's activities in co-operation with the Chairmen and committees of the groups. The Working Party have a number of suggestions which they would like to make to the Chairman of this committee but do not feel they are relevant to this report.

MEMBERSHIP. The Working Party considered a number of suggestions that the membership should be considerably widened by a substantial reduction in subscriptions but it was thought that even with such a reduction the increase in numbers of members would not provide sufficient revenue to off-set the subscription reductions. Various changes in the structure of the membership are however recommended.

- 1 There should be a new subscription rate for members between the ages of 25 and 30. This should be £5. 5. Od. for artist members and £6. 6. Od. for associate members.
- 2 Members should be permitted to pay their subscriptions in two half yearly instalments by Bankers Order.

CATERING. A Catering Consultant was instructed by the Working Party to make a report on the Club's catering. This report was very comprehensive and made a number of suggestions which were implemented at once by the executive committee.

- 1 The dining-room should be closed at 2.30 pm and no evening meals should be served. Two of the kitchen staff should be discharged.
- 2 A new pay structure should be introduced for the remaining kitchen and dining-room staff.
- 3 A new steel sink and bain marie unit should be purchased for the kitchen. A chip frier is to be purchased in the future - it is hoped from the proceeds of a coffee morning. New cutlery and crockery should be purchased for the dining-room.
- 4 A new cash procedure should be adopted.
- 5 The price of coffee should be increased.
- 6 A new system of purchasing food should be investigated.

The Catering Consultant was strongly opposed to the suggestion that evening catering facilities should be improved to first class restaurant standards and considered that his suggestions should prevent the catering making more losses. He also recommended that there should be no overall increase in the price of meals.

THE BAR. Following the decision to suspend evening catering in the dining-room, it was felt that provision should be made for food in the bar. It was also felt that the provision of food in the bar would not only increase the bar trade but provide much more life in the Society at night. The Catering Consultant agreed with the following suggestions:-

- 1 An extension to the bar should be built and alterations should be made to one side of the bar so as to provide eating facilities. It was estimated that the cost of this work and the necessary equipment would be in the region of £150 and the executive committee decided to put this work in hand immediately.
- 2 An additional person should be employed to serve the food.
- 3 The Society should, in due course, apply for a "supper hours" certificate thereby extending the licencing hours by one hour.
- 4 Activities should be organised in the bar at regular intervals.

LETTING OF THE SOCIETY'S ROOMS. It is recommended that a temporary committee be set up to try and increase the lettings of the Society's rooms when they were not in use by the Society. It is hoped, however, that an increase in the Society's own activities will make more use of these rooms.

THE SOCIETY'S ASSETS. It is recommended that thought be given by the Council to the possible disposal of the Society's more valuable pictures to provide a reserve fund for the Society.

It will be seen that the Working Party has not made any specific recommendations as to the artistic activities of the Society. It is hoped that the setting up of an energetic activities committee will produce new ideas and that this committee will in its turn encourage group committees to considerably increase their activities. At the same time, such an increase in activities will be of no value unless well supported and it is considered that much thought should be given to more intensive publicity.

If the Council approves the recommendations made by the Working Party with regard to the constitution of membership, it is suggested that resolutions making the necessary amendments to the constitution be put before the Annual General Meeting.

SANDON STUDIOS SOCIETY

Presented To Council 3.10.68

Amendments to the Constitution.

It is proposed to put the following resolutions before the A.G.M. of the Society to be held on the _____ day of _____ 1968.

"That the rules of the Sandon Studios Society should be amended as follows:-

1. Rule 3 should be deleted and the following new rule substituted therefor

"3. Membership of the Society shall comprise the following categories of Senior, Young and Junior Members:-

- (a) Artist Members
- (b) Associate Members
- (c) Country Members
- (d) Honorary Members
- (e) Temporary Members
- (f) Student Members

of whom Young Members shall be members of not less than 26 years and not more than 30 years of age and Junior Members shall be members of not less than 18 years and not more than 25 years of age." ✓

2. Sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of Rule 7 should be deleted and the following new sub-paragraphs substituted therefor

"(a) The annual subscription of Senior Artist Members shall be £8. 8. Od. and of Young Artist Members shall be £5. 5. Od.

(b) The annual subscription of Senior Associate Members shall be £10. 10. Od. and of Young Associate Members shall be £6. 6. Od." ✓

3. Rule 8 shall be deleted and the following new rule substituted therefor

"8. All subscriptions shall be payable in advance either in one payment on the 1st of January in each year or by Bankers Order in two payments on the 1st of January and the 1st of July in each year except in the case of Student Members whose subscriptions shall be payable in

advance on 1st January, 1st May and 1st October." ✓

4. The last sentence of Rule 16 shall be deleted and the following new sentence substituted therefor

"The members of the General Council, the Officers of the Society and the members of the House Committee and the Activities Committee shall also be elected and the names of the members previously elected to the Executive Committee under the provisions of Rule 21 announced." ✓

5. In sub-paragraph (a) of rule 18 the words "and Hon. Treasurer" shall be deleted and the words "Hon. Treasurer and Publicity Officer" shall be substituted therefor. ✓

6. Rule 19 shall be deleted and the following new rule substituted therefor

"19. The Society shall be governed by a General Council, by an Executive Committee, by the House Committee, the Activities Committee and by such sub-committees as may be necessary for the management of the Society's affairs." ✓

7. In rule 21 (a) (i) the words "and the Hon. Secretaries of the House and Entertainment Committees" shall be deleted and the words "and the Chairmen of the House and Activities Committees and the Publicity Officer" shall be substituted therefor. ✓

8. The first sentence of sub-clause (ii) of paragraph (a) of Rule 21 shall be deleted and the following sentence shall be substituted therefor

"(ii) Four representatives of the Painters and Sculptors' Group; one representative of each of the Architects Group, the Literary and Dramatic Group, the Music Group and the Students' Group." ✓

9. In sub-clause (iii) of sub-paragraph (a) of Rule 21 the number "four" shall be deleted and the number "two" shall be substituted therefor. ✓

10. In lines 5 and 17 of sub-paragraph (c) of Rule 21 the number "four" shall be deleted and the number "two" shall be substituted therefor.

(NOTE: Parts 8 and 9 of the resolution reduce the numbers of representatives of Associate Members from four to two) ✓

11. Rule 21 (i) shall be deleted and the following rule substituted therefor

"21A. (a) The overall management of the catering and the

supply to the Society of intoxicating liquors and tobacco shall be under the sole control of the House Committee which shall consist of seven members of the Society and the Hon. Secretary and the Hon. Treasurer for the time being of the Society who shall be ex-officio members of the Committee and be in addition to the said seven members. ✓

- (b) The House Committee shall arrange for the purchase of intoxicating liquors and tobacco on behalf of the Society and for the supply thereof to the members at such prices as they shall determine. ✓
- (c) The House Committee shall cause an account of all purchases and receipts to be kept and shall present a report and financial statement in regard thereto to the Executive Committee for incorporation in the statement of account to be presented at the Annual General Meeting. ✓
- (d) The Hon. Secretary shall be responsible for making any application each year to the Commissioners of Customs and Excise for the grant of an Excise Licence. ✓
- (e) The Members of the House Committee shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting. The General Council shall, at a meeting held not less than 28 days before the Annual General Meeting nominate seven candidates for membership of the House Committee whose names shall be posted on the Society's Notice Board for seven days together with an official notice requiring members in Categories (a), (b) and (c) of Rule 3 to make additional nominations. These latter nominations shall be formally proposed and seconded in writing and shall be of persons who have consented to stand." ✓

12. The following new Rule shall be inserted after Rule 24

- "24A. (i) The Artistic and Social activities of the Society shall be co-ordinated by an Activities Committee which shall consist of three members and the Publicity Officer.
- (ii) The members of the Activities Committee shall be elected in the same manner as the members of the House Committee as set out in sub-paragraph (e) of Rule 21A.
- (iii) The Activities Committee shall ultimately be responsible to the Executive Committee, which shall have power to vary or to modify such of their activities as they may deem to be prejudicial to the interest of the Society as a whole." ✓

Attended + minutes

SANDON STUDIOS SOCIETY

Tuesday, 15th July 1969.

Dear Council Member,

The next meeting of the Sandon Studios Society General Council has been called for Monday, 21st July 1969 at 6.30pm in the small sitting room.

The Agenda of this meeting is the discussion of those proposals made by the Officers of the Sandon to the Bluecoat Society of Arts, and the results of the meeting held between them earlier this week.

Your attendance at this meeting will be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Hilary

Hilary Williams, Secretary.

SANDON STUDIOS SOCIETY

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE SANDON
STUDIOS SOCIETY HELD ON MONDAY 21ST JULY 1969

PRESENT: Mr. Graffley, Mr. O'Donohue, Mr. Urquhart, Mr. Hall,
Mr. Tyson-Smith, Mr. Coburn-Witherop, Mr. Rathbone,
Mr. Weare, Mr. Bisson, Mr. & Mrs. Noble, Mr. Kingham,
Miss Sutcliffe-Rhodes, Miss Grant, Miss Savage,
Mr. Grindley, Mr. Berry, Mr. Swerdlow, Mr. Franklin,
Mrs. Carter-Preston, Mr. O'Donoghue, Mr. Gow in the Chair.

The Honorary Secretary reported to the Executive on the discussions held with the Bluecoat Society of Arts and outlined the Bluecoat's proposals which were as follows:-

1. The Bluecoat would, as from the 1st July 1969, reduce the Society's rent to a nominal £50 per annum for a limited period to assist the Society to put its house in order.
2. The Society would relinquish to the Bluecoat the theatre, the life room, the music room, the green room, the rooms sublet to Mr. Grindley and Mr. Bisson and the lounge to the left of the main entrance to the Society's premises. It seemed likely that the Bluecoat would let the theatre on a long let and so that it would not, therefore, be available to the Society for casual lets but that the music room would be available for booking.
3. The Society would realise certain of its assets; in particular the Picasso and Augustus John drawings.
4. The Bluecoat would purchase the piano in the music room at a price to be agreed and would take over the £250 Artists Council Grant.
5. In addition to these proposals by the Bluecoat it was suggested that the waitress who was retiring should not be replaced and that the number of cleaners employed by the Society should be reduced from two to one and that the Society's subscriptions should be brought to a flat rate of ten guineas per annum for both Associate and Artist Members of full age (similar adjustments being made in the case of young Associate and young Artist Members).

One result of the acceptance of these proposals would be that the Society would **not** have to pay the rent due on the 1st July to the Bluecoat and could claim a rebate of rates as the rates had already been paid up to the 31st August.


There was considerable discussion about these proposals and it was eventually agreed as follows:-

1. The Society accepted with gratitude the Bluecoat's proposals for reducing the Society's rent to £50 per annum and also accepted its proposals for the relinquishing of the following rooms viz. the theatre, life room, small lounge, music room, green room and rooms sublet to Mr. Grindley and Mr. Bisson.
2. The Society should have discretion as to the disposal of its assets.
3. The Executive should negotiate with the Bluecoat for the possible retention of the small lounge and the prop room be used as a store room.
4. The Executive should endeavour to negotiate favourable terms with the Bluecoat for the use of the music room.

The Honorary Treasurer then explained to the Society the result of the acceptance of these proposals which would be as follows :-

1. If the Bluecoat's proposals were accepted together with the other proposals as to the increase of subscriptions and the reduction in staff the Society would be in balance only. The position at the date of the meeting was that the Society was insolvent (disregarding any fixed assets) to the tune of £800 approximately.
2. Three possibilities might affect this balance :-
 - (a) A drop in membership.
 - (b) Revision upwards of the rent charged by the Bluecoat.
 - (c) An increase in overheads.

If any of these events occurred or any combination of them the Society would find itself with a deficit again and the result would inevitably mean closure of the Society. The fact that these proposals had been accepted in principle by the Society did not mean that everything in the garden was roses. The Society was not out of the wood and its financial difficulties would remain with it.



Sandon Studios Society,
Bluecoat Chambers,
School Lane,
Liverpool
L1 3BX.

25th November 1969

Dear Executive Member:


A meeting of the Sandon Studios Society General Council has been called for Monday, 1st December at 6.00pm. Your Chairman would appreciate your attendance at the Meeting.

The Accounts will follow.

Yours sincerely,

David G. Berry,

Honorary Secretary.



Sandon Studios Society,
Bluecoat Chambers,
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20th November 1969.

Dear Council Member:

A meeting of the Sandon Studios Society General Council has been called for Monday, 1st December 1969 at 6.00pm.

The accounts will follow.

Yours sincerely,

David G. Berry,

Honorary Secretary.